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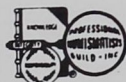
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BYZANTINE COINS

A Brief Introduction to Byzantine Copper Coinage

A clear line of demarcation cannot be drawn between when the Roman Empire ceased to exist and the so-called Byzantine Empire began, and the same can be noted about their respective coinages. It was, in fact, a long transitional period with much evolution occurring between the two epochs. The rulers of the Byzantine Empire considered themselves to be the true and rightful emperors of the Roman Empire, albeit, a Roman Empire with an eastern capital in the guise of Constantinople. The people and rulers of the Byzantine Empire considered themselves to be Romans and this is what they called themselves as evidenced by coin inscriptions.

It was a papal writer of the 17th century that termed the Eastern Roman Empire as the Byzantine Empire after the fact that Constantinople was founded on the site of the Greek city of Byzantium. This writer was, in effect, calling the residents of Constantinople, Greeks, which inferred that they were also pagans. By so doing he hoped to establish that the true seat of Christianity had always been Rome not Constantinople during the "Byzantine" epoch.

It was Warwick Wroth, who in 1908 published his Catalogue of Imperial Byzantine Coins in the British Museum, that gave credence to the initial date of Anastasius I (491-518) for Byzantine coinage. It was the monetary reforms of Anastasius that molded the basic tenets and characteristics of Byzantine coinage. Also, by Anastasius' time the western line of Roman emperors had come to an end. It was Anastasius that introduced the follis of 40 nummi that became the basic unit for the copper coinage of the Byzantine Empire. (Modern numismatists have termed the large copper coin first issued by Diocletian's tetrarchy as a follis, but this is a misnomer as this coin was probably designated a nummus by contemporaries).

Anastasius' follis of 40 nummi and its fractions, half-follis and decanummium, were doubled in size later in his reign and a pentanummium denomination was added. The emperor Justinian I (527-565) introduced dating to the copper coinage as well as increasing their size again. The follis and its derivatives reached their weight and size highpoint about circa 540 after which the copper coinage was reduced in weight and size several times over the next half of a century (practically eliminating the smallest denomination of pentanummium as a result). By the start of the 7th century AD such parsimonious practices as overstriking old coins instead of making new flans was becoming commonplace.

Egypt, maintaining its numismatic singularity started during the time of Augustus (27BC-14AD), had a monetary system which used the dodecanummium of 12 nummi as its basis versus the follis of 40 nummi used elsewhere in the Byzantine Empire. Cherson used the pentanummium as a base unit during the reigns of Justin II (565-578) and Maurice Tiberius (582-602) and marked the coppers with H (8) and Δ (4) instead of the normal M (40) and K (20) (this was due to the debasement of the coins).

The western mints of Sicily became increasingly important during the seventh century as the Byzantine Empire lost both prestige and territory to the Arabs, Slavs, Persians and the Visigoths. Demands of production increased at Syracuse (and Catania to a lesser extent) as other mints were lost to invaders or financial reorganization. [The Byzantine copper coinage of Sicily as evidenced by specimens in this catalog exhibit the beautiful emerald green patinas which have become synonymous with Sicilian coppers in general].

Anastasius' monetary system was unrecognizable by the time of Constans II (641-668) and the follis was a fraction, both literally and figuratively, of its former self of circa 540. The practice of countermarking previous coinage, both whole and cut-up larger denominations, was introduced during this decline. Constans' son, Constantine IV (668-685), tried to reintroduce the large-size follis but his effort was not to last.

The reconstruction of the Empire began during the iconoclastic Isaurian period, both politically and geographically, with the notable exceptions of certain Italian mints such as Ravenna (no longer an imperial mint after 751) and Rome (ceasing to be a Byzantine mint after either 776 or 781). Anastasius' copper monetary system ceased to exist after Constantine V (741-775), the last to use the denominational designations of K and I. The mark of value M, last used in the eastern Byzantine empire of Michael II (820-829), did not represent a follis of 40-nummi by this time, but rather a half-follis of roughly half the size of the former follis.

Leo III (717-741) had temporarily increased the weight of the follis but Michael II had to introduce another heavy follis which was of the same types as his lighter series. Epigraphically, the use of D N (Dominus Noster) at the beginning of coin inscriptions ceased to be used regularly during the early 8th century and totally disappeared by the 9th. It was during the Isaurian era that portraiture of the various emperors deteriorated to such an extent that only beards and figure size differentiated between senior and junior rulers portrayed on the same coin. Also, the practice of portraying deceased ancestors on coinage was introduced during the Isaurian period.

The Amorion and Macedonian dynasties brought about several more changes in the copper coinage. The last remaining western mint of Syracuse ceased after 878 and Cherson was producing a copper coinage remarkably different from that of Constantinople. The practice of portraying Christ on the obverse and the emperor on the reverse became prevalent after 843, and the single copper denomination of follis became the norm. Theophilus (829-842) replaced the customary M on the follis with an inscription of several lines which was to last through the reign of Nicephorus II (963-969).





The imperial effigy was effectively replaced on folles during the reign of John I Tzimisces (969-976) and the so-called Anonymous Folles lasted until the reign of Alexius I (1081-1118) over a century later (but Constantine X (1059-1067) had slowly started to reintroduce the imperial effigy type). Anonymous folles can only be dated with any exactness when found with either an undertype or overtyping due to overstriking.

The monetary system of the Comnenid and Angelid dynasties is marked by the predominant use of a concave shape for the coinage. [Earlier, Constantine IX (1042-1055) had first introduced a concave gold histamenon erroneously labeled scyphate by numismatists]. A concave coin basically copper in appearance but termed billon trachea by contemporaries was the basic fixture of the Comnenid system as far as copper coinage is concerned. Billon only as much as the "black money" of feudal Europe, the trachy was supplemented with a copper tetarteron (sometimes called a nummus), a small flat coin.

The concave shape of the coinage during this era resulted in a coinage that was both artistically and technically inferior to that of previous eras. This was primarily due to the problems posed by the concave and convex dies of varying and different radii. The iconographical importance of Christ on Byzantine coinage was now supplemented by the Virgin as well as various saints under different emperors.

The Byzantine Empire went on hiatus during the years of 1204-1261, and the imperial spirit as well as coinage was kept alive by the Empires of Nicaea and Thessalonica. Both of these empires struck coins based on the Comnenid system including the concave-shaped billon or copper trachy. This period witnessed an influx of new and varied types such as winged emperors, fleur-de-lis' on coins of Nicaea, and model castles held by various figures.

The Palaeologid dynasty marks the restoration of the Byzantine Empire in 1261 and was to last until 1453. Often neglected and scorned by numismatists, Palaeologan coinage is finally receiving well-deserved respect (see Simon Bendall's excellent article in the September 1989 issue of *The Celator*, titled "Rarities not Expensive - Cinderella Coins").



It is a significant fact to mention that in these days of new coin hoards being discovered with amazing frequency, there have not been any new and significant Byzantine copper coin hoards on the market place for the last five years. Most Byzantine copper was struck from the reigns of Anastasius to Constans II and at the major mints such as Constantinople and Antioch (with the exception of the Anonymous types). Hence, the coinage of the more rare emperors and the secondary mints can be truly rare (i.e. it is not *uncommon* for rare Byzantine coins to be represented by 20 examples or less). Byzantine copper coins are, for the most part, common but since they were the coinage of the people - they witnessed extensive circulation and wear over long periods of time until they literally wore smooth. As a result, Byzantine coppers in high-grade are rare.

This catalogue represents the combination of several important collections which through a fortunate quirk of timing became available at the same moment, and for the most part, did not overlap in scope. Taken as one collection, this sale is, for copper, better than the monumental Ratto sale of December 9, 1930. It is comprised of rarities and scarcities which were chosen for their high state of preservation. It is important to remember the fact that the Eastern Christian Roman Empire (Byzantine) is not a minor culture such as Persis or Axumite but ROMAN and as such a rarity from this series is significant. Since Byzantine copper hoards, even of common coins, have dried up; a coin from this sale, which we believe will become a standard reference, will be a significant acquisition. (KKW and HJB).

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ANASTASIUS I

491-518



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1. Follis. (8.12 gms.). 498-518. DN ANASTASIVS PP FV Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large M; above, cross; below exergual line, CON. DOC. 16b, MIB. 22, SB. 14, Berk 4. VF, attractive green patina. (75)



2. Half-follis. (2.30 gms.). 498-518. DN ANASTASIVS PP A(VG) Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large K between cross and Γ ; above and below, star. DOC. 21c, MIB. 32, SB. 24, Berk 14. Near EF, reddish-brown patina, corrosion spot on reverse. (125)

JUSTIN I

518-527



CONSTANTINOPLE

3. Half-follis. (8.79 gms.). DN IVSTINVS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large K; to left, long cross; to right, Γ . DOC. 14c., MIB. 18, SB. 68, Berk 49. VF, dark brown patina, few scratches. (150)
This coin has a full legend which is unusual.



4. Pentanummium. (2.76 gms.). DN IVSTINVS PP Diademed and draped bust right. Large Π , surmounted by cross, between two stars, E within and officina letter A below E. DOC. 59a (Uncertain mint), MIB. 29, SB. 113 (Uncertain mint), Berk 59. F/VF, reddish-brown patina, very rare. (300)



5. Pentanummium. (2.33 gms.). DN IVSTI(N)VS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large chi-rho monogram; to left, Γ ; to right, E. DOC. 21c., MIB. 32, SB. 75, Berk-. VF, reddish-brown patina. (100)
This coin is unusual for both its quality and almost complete legend.



CYZICUS

6. Follis. (15.09 gms.). 525/526. DN IVSTI(NVS) PP AVG Diademed, draped, and cuirassed bust right. Large M between K and V; above, cross; below, B; below exergual line, INSA (4th Indiction). DOC. 41, MIB. 53, SB. 96, Berk 87. Fine+, brown patina. (275)
Reverse rotated 180° and struck again which gives the appearance of the K being backwards and on the wrong side, but above the M, IN(SA), is visible.



7. Follis. (16.37 gms.). 526/527. D(N IVSTI)NVS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large M between K and V; above, cross; below, B; beneath exergual line, (I)NSE (5th indiction). DOC. 40-41, MIB. 53, SB. 96, Berk 87. VF, dark brown patina with touches of red. (375)



THESSALONICA

8. 3 Nummi. (1.09 gms.). DN IVSTINVS PP AV Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large Γ, to right, star. DOC. 26, MIB. 74, SB. 81, Berk 108. VF/EF, dark brown patina. (800)



9. 3 Nummi. (1.09 gms.). Same as previous. DOC. 26, MIB. 74, SB. 81, Berk 108. EF, heavy dark green patina with lighter brown highlights. (1250)

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CONSTANTINOPLE

10. Follis. (17.46 gms.). (DN IVSTIN) E IVSTINIAN PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right of Justin. Large M between star and cross; above, cross; below, A (obscured); in exergue, CON. DOC. 10a, MIB. 4, SB. 125, Berk 112. VF, light brown patina with touches of red and green on reverse, rare. (275)



ANTIOCH

11. Follis. (14.04 gms.) (DN DN) IVSTINVS ET IVSTINIANVS PP AVG (clockwise beginning at top) Facing busts of Justin and Justinian, draped and cuirassed, both nimbate; between them above, cross. Large M between two stars; above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, ANTI(X). DOC. 14, MIB. 10, SB. 130, Berk 118 (less than 25 recorded). Good VF, dark brown patina with touches of green, extremely rare. (2000)
This is probably the only known case for this type and denomination where the faces of the emperors are visible.



12. Half-follis. (6.07 gms.). N IVSTN IVST... Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right, cross on diadem. Large K; to left, long cross dividing A/T and N/X; to right, B. Berk 120 otherwise unpublished. Fine, dark green and red patina. (1200)

Berk notes in his book, Eastern Roman Successors of The Sestertius, that "this discovery coin breaks the double portrait iconography which is peculiar to Antioch for this reign."



13. Decanummium. (4.23 gms.). Same obverse type as lot 11 (Berk 118) but busts are not nimbate. BCONCOPDI (B is officina letter) around large I surmounted by cross, between two smaller crosses; below exergual line, ANTX. DOC. 16, MIB. 12, SB. 132, Berk 121 (less than 5 recorded). F+/VF, dark brown patina, extremely rare. (1200)

JUSTINIAN I

527-565



CONSTANTINOPLE

14. Follis. (18.27 gms.). 527-539. Barbaric imitation? DN IVSTINIANOVS (blundered legend retrograde, using both Latin and Greek) Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large M between two stars; above, cross; below, Δ; beneath exergual line, CON (N retrograde). cf. DOC. 30, SB. 160, Berk 123. VF, green brown patina. (250)



ANTIOCH

15. Follis. (11.68 gms.). 533-537. DN IVSTINIANVS (S PP AV) (first S retrograde) Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large M between two stars; above, cross; below, Γ; beneath exergual line, +THEΠΡ+. DOC. 210c, MIB. 126, SB. 216, Berk 144. EF, choice dark green patina. (300)
Antioch was renamed Theoupolis after an earthquake on November 29, 528 almost completely destroyed the city, but numismatists still prefer to call it by its original name.



16. Follis. (13.77 gms.). 527-539. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large M between two stars; above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, (?)UENT+. Unpublished mint signature. cf. DOC. 210, MIB. 126, Berk 144. VF, brown patina. (150)



17. Follis. (14.52 gms.). 537-539. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG S. Same types as previous but in exergue, ΘΥΠΟΛΑΣ. DOC. 212c, MIB. 131, SB. 217, Berk 148. Near EF, brown patina, slightly porous. (250)



THESSALONICA

18. 16 Nummi. (7.87 gms.). DN IVSTINIANS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large I surmounted by cross, and smaller S; to left, A; to right, P; in exergue, TES. DOC. 98a, MIB. 169a, SB. 175, Berk 162. Good VF, dark brown patina with lighter highlights. (800)
Extremely rare with a large planchet.



19. 16 Nummi. (4.50 gms.). Same as previous but with chi-rho above I instead of cross (mint signature off flan). DOC. 98d, MIB. 169c, SB. 178, Berk 164. EF, glossy brown patina. (275)



20. 8 Nummi. (4.09 gms.). DN IVSTIN(IA)NVS PP AV Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large H between A and P; above, cross. DOC. 100a, MIB. 174a, SB. 189, Berk 178. Fine, dark green and reddish-brown patina, rare. (250)



21. 8 Nummi. (2.91 gms.). (DN) IVSTINIANVS PP AV Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large H between a letter that appears to be an elongated O, and P; above, w. Unpublished (see *The Copper Coinage of Thessalonica Under Justinian I* by David M. Metcalf [Vienna, 1976] type #61 for similar). F, heavy dark olive-green patina. (250)



22. 4 Nummi. (1.33 gms.). Same obverse type as previous. Large Δ between A and P. DOC., MIB. 175, SB. 194, Berk 182 (9 recorded). Fine, dark green patina, extremely rare. (1500)

This is the rarest denomination in the Byzantine series and there are less than 20 recorded of this denomination for all of the mint cities.



23. 2 Nummi. (0.80 gms.). Same obverse type as previous. Large B between A and P. DOC., MIB. 177, SB. 196A, Berk 184 (4 recorded). F/VF, dark green patina, extremely rare. (650)



CARTHAGE

24. 2 Nummi. (0.86 gms.). Without any legend visible. Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right, between two crosses. Large B. DOC. 2 (Thessalonica), MIB. 190, SB. 277, Berk 197. EF, attractive dark green patina. (1000)



ROME

25. Follis. (10.88 gms.). 540-542. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large M between star and cross; above, cross; below, ROMA; all within wreath. DOC. 321, MIB. 214, SB. 292, Berk 201. EF, beautiful dark green patina. (650)



26. Half-follis. (7.12 gms.). 540-542. DN IVSTINIANVS Diademed, draped, and cuirassed bust right. Large K between star and cross, all within wreath. DOC. 325a, MIB. 222.2, SB. 301, Berk 209. Good EF, beautiful dark green patina with touches of red. (650)



27. Half-follis. (6.56 gms.). Similar to previous. DOC. 325a, MIB. 222.2, SB. 301, Berk 209. EF, nice dark brown patina. (350)



28. Half-follis. (8.53 gms.). 540-542. Similar to previous but on reverse K is between cross on left and star on right. DOC. 325b, MIB. 223, SB. 303, Berk 210. Good EF, lovely green patina. (650)



29. Half-follis. (16.04 gms.). 557/558. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large XX with A/N/N/O between; in exergue, XXXI. DOC. 330, MIB. 224, SB. 304, Berk 283. Near VF, olive-green patina. (600)



30. Decanummium. (2.95 gms.). 540-542. DN IVSTINIAN Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large I surmounted by cross between two stars; in exergue, ROMA. DOC., MIB. 225, SB. 306, Berk 211. VF, dark green-brown patina with touches of red. (200)



31. Decanummium. (4.23 gms.). 542-547. Obverse similar to previous. Large I between two stars and all within wreath. DOC. 362 (uncertain mint), MIB. 227, SB.-307, Berk 213. Fine, green-brown patina. (65)



32. Pentanummium. (2.23 gms.). 556/557. DN IVST(INI)ANVS PP AV Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large E with ANNO/XXX above and below center bar of E; in field between, cross; all within wreath. DOC., MIB. 230b, SB. 309B, Berk 214. Near VF, light green patina. (35)

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33. Follis. (18.70 gms.). 548/549. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; to right, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/X/II; above, cross; below, Δ; beneath exergual line, CON. DOC. 47, MIB. 95, SB. 163, Berk 218. EF, heavy dark olive-green patina. (375)



34. Decanummium. (3.09 gms.). 550/551. DN IVSTINIANVS PP A Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large I between A/N/N/O and X/X/II/II; above, cross; below, unclear officina letter; in exergue, CON. DOC. 86, MIB. 100, SB. 168, Berk 221. Good VF, green-brown patina. (125)



NICOMEDIA

35. Follis. (22.65 gms.). 541/542. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; to right, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/U; above, cross; below, B; beneath exergual line, NIKO. DOC. 120b, MIB. 115, SB. 201, Berk 229. Choice EF, attractive dark olive-green patina. (850)



CYZICUS

36. Follis. (23.82 gms.). 538/539. d INVSTINIANVS PP AVG (blundered) Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; to right, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and XII; above, cross; below, B; in exergue, KVZ. DOC. 164b, MIB. 120, SB. 207, Berk 232. Good EF, attractive dark green-brown patina with touches of red. (1000)



ANTIOCH

37. Follis. (21.85 gms.). 539/540. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVG Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; to right, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and XIII; above, cross; below, Γ; beneath exergual line, ΘVΠO. DOC. 215c, MIB. 143, SB. 218, Berk 236. Superb EF, lovely green and reddish-brown patina, excellent workmanship. (600)



38. Follis. (23.27 gm.). 542/543. Similar to previous but regnal year X ς , officina B; and in exergue, CHEYPO. DOC. 216, MIB. 144, SB. 219, Berk 237. Near EF, dark green patina. (475)

This coin was issued during the lull period between the sack of the city of Antioch by the Persians in June 540 and the onset of the Great Plague in late 543.



39. Half-follis. (11.70 gm.). 542/543. DN IVSTINIANVS PP AVI Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; to right, cross. Large K between A/N/N/O and X ς ; above, cross; below short exergual line, CH. DOC. 236, MIB. 153, SB. 229, Berk 246. Nice EF with a lovely dark green patina, well-centered on a large flan. (350)



CARTHAGE

40. Decanummium. (6.44 gm.). 548-549. DN IVST(INIA)NVS PP A Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. VICTORIA A Victory walking forward, holding wreath and globus cruciger; in exergue, *X*. DOC. 304, MIB. 200, SB. 271, Berk 268. VF+/EF, choice dark olive-green patina. (100)



ROME

41. Decanummium. (6.36 gm.). 547-549. DN IVSTINIANVS (P AVG) Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large I between two stars and all within wreath. DOC. 331, MIB. 228, SB. 308, Berk 285. EF, choice dark green patina with lighter highlights, large module. (1200)



42. Decanummium. (7.54 gm.). 547-549. Similar to previous. DOC. 331, MIB. 228, SB. 308, Berk 285. EF, lovely dark green patina, of normal module. (500)



43. Decanummium. (3.69 gm.). 555/556. Obverse similar to previous. Large I between A/N/N/O and XX/VIII; all within wreath. DOC. 349 (Ravenna), MIB. 229, SB. 326 (Ravenna), Berk 286. VF, dark green-brown patina. (275)



44. Decanummium. (4.53 gm.). 562/563. Similar to previous but regnal year is XX/XVI. DOC. 353 (Ravenna), MIB. 229, SB. 326 (Ravenna), Berk 286. Good EF, choice olive-green patina. (350)

**RAVENNA**

45. Follis. (8.47 gms.). 563/564. (DN IVS)TINIANVS PP AV
 Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger
 and shield. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/X/X/V/II;
 above, cross; below, RAVENNA. DOC. 344a var., MIB.
 233, SB.323var., Berk 290. Good Fine, dark green patina,
 very rare. (600)



46. Half-follis. (6.92 gms.). 540-547. DN IVSTINIANVS PP
 AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Monogram,
 S above, K (mark of value) below; all within wreath. DOC.-,
 MIB. 235, SB. 328c (Uncertain Italian mint), Berk 292.
 Nice VF, brown surfaces, very rare. (400)



47. Decanummium. (2.78 gms.). 540-547. DN IVSTINIANVS PP
 Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large cross with
 star in each angle and all within wreath. DOC. 364, MIB.
 237, SB. 333 (Uncertain mint), Berk 294. Good VF, pale
 green patina, rare. (300)



48. Decanummium. (3.76 gms.). 552-564. DN IVSTINIANVS PP.
 AVG Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus
 cruciger and shield. Large * within wreath. DOC. 368, MIB.
 239, SB. 336 (Uncertain mint), Berk 296. EF, choice olive-
 green patina, rare. (300)



49. Decanummium. (3.76 gms.). 552-564. DN IVSTINIANVS PP
 AVI Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus
 cruciger and shield. Large * within wreath. DOC. 368, MIB.
 239, SB. 336 (Uncertain mint), Berk 296. VF, green-brown
 patina, isolated pit in helmet, rare. (100)

**PERUGIA (?)**

50. Half-follis. (7.43 gms.). 552/553. DN IVSTIN(IANVS PP
 A)V Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus
 cruciger and shield; to right, cross. Large K between
 A/N/N/O and XX/VI; above, cross; below, P. DOC. 356,
 MIB. 97 (Constantinople), SB. 327, Berk-. Nice VF, green-
 brown patina, very rare. (500)



51. Half-follis. (7.43 gms.). 552/553. Similar to previous.
 DOC. 356, MIB. 97 (Constantinople), SB. 327, Berk-. EF,
 green-brown patina with touches of red, very rare. (500)



52. Half-follis. (5.79 gms.). 552/553. Similar to previous but of
 degenerate style. cf. DOC. 356, MIB. 97 (Constantinople),
 SB. 327. VF, dark brown patina, rare. (100)

**UNCERTAIN ITALIAN MINT**

53. Decanummium. (4.09 gms.). DN IVSTINIANVS P Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large X within wreath. Unpublished. Nice VF+, attractive olive-green patina, extremely rare. (300)

**SICILY**

54. Follis. (24.26 gms.). 540/541. DN IVSTINI(ANVS PP AVG) Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; in right field, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and XIII; above, cross; below, A; in exergue, CON. DOC. 312 (Constantine in Numidia), MIB. 242 (Sicily), SB. 284 (Constantine in Numidia?), Berk 299 (Constantine in Numidia). Good Fine, brown patina, very rare. (400)



55. Half-follis. (8.88 gms.). 540/541. Obverse similar to previous. Large K between A/N/N/O and XIII; above, cross; in exergue, CON. DOC. 313 (Constantine in Numidia), MIB. 243 (Sicily), SB. 285 (Constantine in Numidia?), Berk 300 (Constantine in Numidia). EF but face of Justinian poorly struck, brown patina, very rare. (300)



56. Half-follis. (6.79 gms.). 541/542. Similar to previous but ANNO XV. DOC. 314 (Constantine in Numidia), MIB. 243 (Sicily), SB. 285 (Constantine in Numidia?), Berk 300 (Constantine in Numidia). Fine, brown patina, very rare. (100)



57. Decanummium. (4.71 gms.). 552-562. DN IVIN..ANVS PP AVG (blundered) Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large X within wreath. DOC.-, MIB. 244 (Sicily), SB. 308A (Rome), Berk 301 (Constantine in Numidia). Good VF, green-brown patina, large module. (300)



58. Decanummium. (2.08 gms.). 552-562. Similar to previous but of smaller module. DOC.-, MIB. 244 (Sicily), SB. 308A (Rome), Berk 301 (Constantine in Numidia). VF, dark green patina. (100)



59. Pentanummium. (2.01 gms.). 552-562. DN IVSTIN(IA)NVS PP A(V)G Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large V within wreath. DOC. 327 (Rome), MIB. 246 (Sicily), SB. 309 (Rome), Berk 303 (Constantine in Numidia). Good VF, green patina with touches of red. (50)

**SALONA**

60. Half-follis. (2.21 gms.). 552-565. DN IVSTIN(I)A(NV)S P A Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large K within wreath. DOC. 360, MIB. 250, SB. 331, Berk 307. Good VF, attractive emerald green patina. (175)



61. Decanummium. (1.15 gms.). 552-565. Obverse similar to previous. Large I within wreath. DOC. 361, MIB. 251, SB. 332, Berk 308. Fine, dark green patina and rare. (50)

JUSTIN II 565-578



CONSTANTINOPLE

62. Pentanummium. (1.65 gms.). Large monogram. Large E; to right, A. DOC. 60a, MIB. 45.1, SB. 363, Berk 316. EF, dark green patina. (100)



ANTIOCH

63. Follis. (15.82 gms.). 565/566. Blundered legend (... PP AVG) Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globe surmounted by Victory and a shield; to right, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and */I/*; above, cross; below, Γ; beneath exergual line, THEUP'. DOC. 143a, MIB. 54b, SB. 378, Berk 326. EF for wear but corrosion, reddish-brown patina. (500)



64. Follis. (14.83 gms.). 575/576. Unintelligible legend (VNTATI...UTTAL') Justin (on left) and Sophia seated facing on double throne, both nimbate and holding long sceptres, they hold between them globe surmounted by a large cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/I (I recut over a star); above, cross; below, Γ; in exergue, THEUP'. DOC. 158a, MIB. 56-57, SB. 379, Berk 327. Good VF, reddish-brown patina, light corrosion on obverse. (100)
The I on the reverse which is recut over a star would indicate that dies were reused.



65. Decanummium. (4.15 gms.). 575/576. Similar obverse to previous (Berk 327). Large I, surmounted by cross, between A/N/N/O and X/I (I recut over a star); beneath exergual line, THEU(P'). DOC. 182, MIB. 63a, SB. 383, Berk 331. Near EF, heavy red and brown patina. (100)



CARTHAGE

66. Follis. (16.89 gms.). 572/573. DN IVS(TINO ET) SOFIA (A) Facing busts of Justin (on left), helmeted and cuirassed, and Sophia, crowned and draped; between their heads, cross; in exergue, BITA. Large M between A/N/N/O and V/III; above, cross; below, S; beneath exergual line, (K)AR. DOC. 198 (VITA), MIB. 73 (VITA), SB. 393 (VITA), Berk 340(See footnote for BITA). VF, brown patina, very rare. (1200)
This is a very rare variant for the VITA type.



67. Follis. (18.84 gms.). 574/575. DN IVS(TINO ET SOFIE AC) Justin (on left) and Sophia seated facing on double throne, resting right hands on their knees; between them, cross; beneath, VITA. Large *X*/M between (A/N/N/O) and K/A/R. DOC. 202, MIB. 74, SB. 394, Berk 341. Near VF, green-brown patina, rare. (250)



68. Half-follis. (10.78 gms.). 572/573. Similar obverse to lot 66 (Berk 340) but (V)ITA in exergue. Large K between A/N/N/O and V/III; above, cross; below, S; in exergue, KAR. DOC. 199, MIB. 76, SB. 395, Berk 343. Good VF, dark brown patina. (450)



69. Decanummium. (3.26 gms.). 566-572. (DN IVSTINVS) PP Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding shield. Large I, with two pellets above, between V/S and TI/NI. DOC. 196, MIB. 79, SB. 399, Berk 346. VF, dark brown patina. (70)



70. Pentanummium. (3.03 gms.). DN IVSTINVS PP Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large V between P/R and A/N/N/O; above, cross; in exergue, CAR. DOC. 194, MIB. 81, SB. 401, Berk 348. F/VF, heavy olive-green and brown patina. (35)



71. Pentanummium. (2.26 gms.). Legend illegible. Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding shield. Large monogram consisting of a cross with Y, C, E, and N(retrograde) at the ends. DOC. 197, MIB. 82, SB. 402, Berk 349. EF+, dark green-brown patina. (300)
Retrograde N is an unpublished variant.



ROME

72. Half-follis. (4.79 gms.). DN IVSTINVS PP AVG Justin (on left) and Sophia enthroned facing, he holds globus cruciger and she, cross. Large XX; above, cross; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 207, MIB. 95a1 (military mint), SB. 404, Berk 350. VF, green-brown patina. (200)
Berk notes that "the Rome mint may in fact be the place or area around which all of Hahn's 'traveling military mint' issues were struck."



73. Half-follis. (4.41 gms.). Similar to previous but without exergual line on reverse. DOC. 206, MIB. 95a2 (military mint), SB. 404, Berk 350. Near EF for issue, heavy pale green patina. (250)



74. Pentanummium. (1.37 gms.). DN IVSTINVS PP Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large E and cross within wreath. DOC. 217 (Ravenna), MIB. 86 (Rome), SB. 416 (Ravenna), Berk 352 (Rome). EF, attractive pale green patina. (100)



RAVENNA

75. Decanummium. (4.78 gms.). 570/571. DN IVSTINVS PP Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large cross between A/N/N/O and VI; all within wreath. DOC. -, MIB. 88, SB. 415A, Berk 353. EF, dark green patina and rare. (400)



SICILY

76. Decanummium. (2.74 gms.). DN IVSTINVS P Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large cross or X with stars in each angle; all within wreath. DOC. 83, SB. 416H var. (legend), Berk 354. EF, dark green patina. (400)



77. Pentanummium. (1.67 gms.). (D)N IVSTIN PP Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large V with star above; all within wreath. DOC. 209 (Rome), MIB. 84 (Sicily), SB. 405 (Rome), Berk 355 (Sicily). Good VF, dark green patina. (100)



CHERSON

78. Follis. (14.72 gms.). XEPCWNOC Justin (on left) and Sophia standing facing, both nimbed, he holds globus cruciger and Sophia holds cruciform sceptre. Large M; above, cross; to left, Tiberius II (?) standing facing, nimbed, holding long staff surmounted by chi-rho; below, exergual line. DOC. 297 (Maurice Tiberius), MIB. 159 (Maurice Tiberius), SB. 603 (Maurice Tiberius), Berk 357 (Justin II). EF, chocolate brown patina, nice flan and surfaces, very rare. (3000)

A classic rarity. B.A. Anoxin in his book, MOHETHOE ΔΕΛΧΕΡΠΟΗΕΚΑ (1977, coin #317), has reattributed the coins of this type that do not bear the name of Maurice but only the ethnic of Cherson to Justin II which is the accepted attribution now.



79. 4 Pentanummia (= half-follis). (7.01 gms.). XEPCONOC Same types as previous (Berk 357) but on reverse large Δ instead of M. DOC. 301 (Maurice Tiberius), MIB. 161b (Maurice Tiberius), SB. 610 (Maurice Tiberius), Berk 358 (Justin II). EF, reddish-brown patina, extremely rare. (3500) *One of the great rarities of the Byzantine copper series!*

TIBERIUS II CONSTANTINE

578-582



CONSTANTINOPLE

80. Follis. (16.18 gms.). 579. dM TIB CONS(TANT PP) AVI Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and eagle-tipped sceptre; above eagle, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and U; above, cross; beneath exergual line, CONΔ. DOC. 11d, MIB. 25, SB. 430, Berk 361A. EF, attractive green patina. (275)



81. Three-quarter follis (30 Nummi). (12.14 gms.). dM TIB CONSTANT PP AVI Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large XXX; above, cross; beneath exergual line, CONΔ. DOC. 15d, MIB. 27, SB. 432, Berk 363. VF, dark brown patina. (225)



NICOMEDIA

82. Follis. (16.52 gms.). 579. dM TIB CONSTANT PP AVG. Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and eagle-tipped sceptre; above eagle, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and U; above, cross; in exergue, NIKOB. DOC. 28var.(officina A), MIB. 35, SB. 441, Berk 370. EF, dark brown patina with patch of red on reverse. (500)
This is the plate coin in Berk.



CYZICUS

83. Follis. (17.01 gms.). 579/580. d(M) TIB CONS(TANT) PP AVG (S retrograde). Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and eagle-tipped sceptre; above eagle, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and ζ; above, cross; beneath exergual line, KYZ (Z retrograde)B. DOC. 35b, MIB. 41, SB. 444, Berk 376. Superb EF, attractive reddish-brown patina, excellent surfaces. (1500)



84. Three-quarter follis (30 Nummi). (11.55 gms.). dM TIB CONSTANT PP AYI. Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large XXX; above, cross; below exergual line, KYZA. DOC. 37a, MIB. 42, SB. 445, Berk 377. EF, olive-green patina, extremely rare. (750)
All known specimens of this type were struck with one obverse die and two reverse dies (A and B officina). This is the plate coin in Berk.



85. Three-quarter follis (30 Nummi). (11.97 gms.). Similar to previous but officina B. DOC. 37b, MIB. 42, SB. 445, Berk 377. EF, dark brown patina, scraped in right obverse field. (375)
This coin shares the same obverse die with the previous lot.



ANTIOCH

86. Follis. (15.27 gms.). 578. Blundered legend (D [retrograde] N TI(b) CONST(ANT PP...)). Crowned and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; in right field, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and II/II; above, cross; below, Γ; beneath exergual line, THEUP'. DOC. 39b, MIB. 47, SB. 447, Berk 381. Good VF, reddish-brown patina with touches of green on obverse. (300)



ROME

87. Half-follis. (4.26 gms.). DM Tib (CONST)ANT PP Crowned and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large XX with cross above; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 61a, MIB. 73.2 (military mint), SB. 467, Berk- (See Military Types note). Good VF, heavy green patina with touches of red. (250)



88. Half-follis. (5.31 gms.). Similar to previous but wearing crown with trefoil ornament (possibly a helmet). DOC. 61c, MIB. 73.1 (military mint), SB. 467, Berk- (See Military Types note). VF, dark green patina. (300)



RAVENNA

89. Decanummium. (3.49 gms.). (DM Tib CONS)TANT PP AV Crowned and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger. Large I between two crosses and all within wreath. DOC. 66, MIB. 67, SB. 472, Berk 400. EF, attractive green patina, high relief, pinpoint flan hole left of bust. (350)

MAURICE TIBERIUS

582-602



CYZICUS

90. Half-follis. (4.77 gms.). 598/599. DN MAVRI TbER PP (N retrograde) Helmeted (with plume) and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large K between A/N/N/O and XG/I; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 144var. (officina and legend), MIB. 88, SB. 521, Berk 417. Near EF, reddish-brown patina. (750)



CARTHAGE

91. Follis. (18.42 gms.). 582-583. (DN TIB MAVRI)CIVS PP AVI Crowned and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield; beneath, VIT(A). Star contained within a circle between XX-XX; above, cross between N and (M); in exergue, KRT. DOC. 243, MIB. 116, SB. 556, Berk 429. VF+, heavy green patina. (450)



92. Decanummium. (3.10 gms.). 582-583. DN TIB MAVRIC PP Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Circle with central pellet between N and M; above, cross potent; below, X. DOC. 245, MIB. 122, SB. 563, Berk 435. EF, dark green-brown patina, well-centered. (225)



93. Decanummium. (4.27 gms.). 584/585. DN TIB (MA)VRICI Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large I between two crosses; above, cross between N and M; beneath exergual line, IND III (Indictio III). DOC. 250, MIB. 123, SB. 565, Berk 436. Good VF, dark green patina, some porosity. (100)



94. Pentanummium. (1.76 gms.). (DN MAVR)I Tb PP AI Crowned and cuirassed bust facing. Large chi-rho with E beneath; pellet to left and right of E; all within wreath. DOC. 263 (Constantine in Numidia), MIB. 129, SB. 579 (Constantine in Numidia [?]), Berk 442. Good VF, green-brown patina. (65)



95. Pentanummium. (1.81 gms.). 602. DN MAVRICI P Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust left; beneath, IND(S) (=Indictio 6). Palm-tree above V between N and M. DOC. 256, MIB. 131, SB. 570, Berk 444. EF, dark green patina. (120)



CATANIA

96. Decanummium. (3.19 gms.). 582/583. DN TIB MAVRIC PP AVG Crowned and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger and shield. Large I between A/N/N/O and I; below exergual line, CAT. DOC. 264, MIB. 136B, Spahr 1, SB. 580, Berk 449. Near EF, attractive green patina. (175)



97. Decanummium. (2.53 gms.). 585/586. Similar to previous but ANNO IIII. DOC. 268var., MIB. 137D, Spahr 6, SB. 581, Berk 450. Fine, green-brown patina, large isolated pit on reverse. (30)



98. Decanummium. (3.47 gms.). 587/588. Similar to previous but ANNO 5. DOC. 269, MIB. 136D, Spahr 9, SB. 581, Berk 450. VF, green patina. (75)



99. Decanummium. (3.32 gms.). 588/589. Similar to previous but ANNO 6I. DOC. 270, MIB. 137D, Spahr 10, SB. 581, Berk 450. EF, olive-green patina. (100)



100. Decanummium. (3.26 gms.). 590/591. Similar to previous but ANNO 5III. DOC. 271, MIB. 137D, Spahr 11, SB. 581, Berk 450. EF, attractive green patina. (100)



101. Decanummium. (3.28 gms.). 600/601. Similar to previous but ANNO X/5III. DOC. 276, MIB. 137D, Spahr 17, SB. 581, Berk 450. EF, dark green patina. (80)



102. Pentanummium. (1.20 gms.). DN MA(VRIC)IVS P Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large V between two stars; below exergual line, CAT. DOC. 280, MIB. 138, Spahr 20, SB. 582, Berk 451. EF, dark green patina. (100)



103. Pentanummium. (1.58 gms.). Similar to previous but in exergue, A/N/N/O left to right sideways. Unpublished. Good EF, attractive green patina. (200)

Possibly a die engraver's error for if the die was rotated 90°, then the V above the exergual line appears to be a K hence A/N/N/O to the left is logical.



SYRACUSE

104. Decanummium. (3.50 gms.). 591-597. (DN MAVR TI)b PP AVG Helmeted, draped and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger. Large X surrounded by SE above and CI below, and LI to the left and A to the right. DOC. 281, MIB. 140, Spahr 21, SB. 583, Berk-. Good EF, green patina. (275)



105. Decanummium. (2.02 gms.). 596-602. Obverse similar to previous. Large I between crosses (left and right) and horizontal lines (above and below). DOC. 295 (Uncertain Italian mints), MIB. 141 (Sicily), SB. 601 (Uncertain Italian mints), Berk-. EF, glossy green-brown patina. (100)



RAVENNA

106. Half-follis. (4.07 gms.). DN MAVRC TIB PP AVG Draped and cuirassed bust facing, wearing plumed helmet, holding globus cruciger. Large K between R and A; beneath, VENN; above, cross. DOC. 292, MIB. 146, SB. 598, Berk 455. Nice VF, dark green patina, rare. (650)



ROME

107. Half-follis. (4.66 gms.). (DN M)AVRICI TIB PP AV Crowned and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger. Large XX; above, cross; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 283, MIB. 155 (military mint), SB. 587, Berk-. VF, flat strike, pale green patina. (75)



108. Decanummium. (2.24 gms.). Obverse similar to previous. Large X within wreath. DOC. 294 (Uncertain Italian mint), MIB. 156 (military mint), SB. 600 (Uncertain Italian mint), Berk-. Near VF, turquoise green patina, rare. (50)



CHERSON

109. 8 Pentanummia (=follis). (11.69 gms.). (dN MAVRI)C PP AV Maurice (on left) and Constantina standing facing on dais, both nimbate, he holds globus cruciger while the Empress holds long cruciform sceptre; between their heads, cross. Large H with cross above; to left, Theodosius standing facing, nimbate, holding long cross potent. DOC. 303.2, MIB. 157a, SB. 607, Berk 458. VF, dark green patina. (600)



110. 8 Pentanummia (=follis). (10.92 gms.). dN...PP A Similar to previous but on obverse the dais is hollow and on the reverse the long cross is plain. DOC. 303.2var., MIB. 157avar., SB. 607var., Berk 458var. VF, brown patina, overstruck on an earlier follis. (650)

FOCAS

602-610



CONSTANTINOPLE

111. Three-quarter follis. (8.47 gms.). 608/609. dN F(OC)AS PERP AVG Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large XXX; above, cross; to right, çI; below exergual line, CONA. DOC. 34var. (officina E), MIB. 63, SB. 641, Berk 476. VF, heavy dark brown patina. (300)



112. Decanummium. (2.00 gms.). dN FOCA PE... Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large X, cross above. DOC. 39, MIB. 66, SB. 646, Berk 479. VF+, brown patina, clipped rectangular planchet. (100)



NICOMEDIA

113. Three-quarter follis. (10.18 gms.). 607/608. dN FOCA(S P)ERP AVG Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large XXX; above, cross; to right, UI; below exergual line, NIK(A). DOC. -, MIB. 70, SB. 660, Berk 484. EF, chocolate brown patina, flat areas due to strike. (850)



CYZICUS

114. Follis. (7.42 gms.). 605/606. dN FOCAS PER(P) Ao Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and cross; in left field, cross. Large XXXX; above, ANNO; to right, II/II; beneath exergual line, KYZB. DOC. 72b, MIB. 76, SB. 665, Berk 490. VF, dark green-brown patina. (70)



115. Follis. (10.26 gms.). 607/608. dN FOCAS PERP AVG Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and cross; in left field, cross. Large XXXX; above, ANNO; to right, ç; beneath exergual line, KYZA. DOC. 73a, MIB. 76, SB. 665, Berk 490. Superb EF (as struck), dark green and brown patina. (275)



116. Three-quarter follis. (9.99 gms.). 609/610. dN FOCAS PE(RP A)VG Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing. Large XXX; above, cross; to right, çII; beneath exergual line, KYZA. DOC. 77var.(regnal year), MIB. 77, SB. 666, Berk 491. Near EF, dark brown patina, very rare. (650)



117. Half-follis. (6.52 gms.). 602-603. dM FOCA P... Phocas (on left) and Leontia standing facing, he is crowned and holds globus cruciger, Empress is nimbate and holds cruciform sceptre; between their heads, cross. Large XX; above, cross; beneath exergual line, KYZB. DOC. 78b, MIB. 78, SB. 667, Berk 492. Superb EF (as struck), dark brown patina. (200)
This is the plate coin in Berk.

**ANTIOCH**

118. Follis. (8.84 gms.). 609/610. ON FOEA NE PE AV (blundered) Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and globus cruciger. Large M between A/N/N/O and U/III; above, cross; below exergual line, THEUP'. DOC.-, MIB. 84b, SB. 672A, Berk 498 (less than 10 recorded). Good VF, brown patina, extremely rare. (300)

**CARTHAGE**

119. Half-follis. (5.56 gms.). 606/607. DN FOCAS PERP AG Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes, holding mappa and cross. Large XX with pellet between and beneath each X; above, cross; to left and right, star and E; below in exergue, KRTÇ. DOC. 116.5, MIB. 98, SB. 686, Berk 513. Near EF, even brown patina. (200)



120. Decanummium. (3.23 gms.). 602/603. ... PERP AV S (6th Indictional year) Crowned bust facing, wearing consular robes. Cross between FO and CA (pellet above and below FO-CA); below, X. DOC. 114, MIB. 99, SB. 687, Berk 514. EF for wear but porous, olive-green patina. (50)

**CATANIA**

121. Pentanummium. (2.15 gms.). DN FOCAS PP AVG Diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right. Large V between two stars; beneath exergual line, CAT. DOC. 120, MIB. 105, Spahr 25, SB. 692, Berk 519. EF, dark olive-green patina, rare. (300)

The portrait of Focas on this coin is of 2nd century AD Roman quality.

**RAVENNA**

122. Half-follis. (4.05 gms.). 608-610. (DN) FOCAS PER AV Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing, holding cross. Large X*X; beneath exergual line, RAV. DOC. 135, MIB. 113, SB. 707, Berk 527. EF, green patina, very rare. (600)

REVOLT OF THE HERACLI

608-610

**CARTHAGE**

123. Half-follis. (7.36 gms.). ERA(CAIO CONS)VAI Bareheaded bust facing of Heraclius, wearing consular robes, holding eagle-tipped sceptre; above head, cross. Large XX with pellet between; above, (cross); to right, E; beneath exergual line, KRTÇ. DOC. 6, MIB. 12b, SB. 713, Berk 530B. Fine, light green and brown patina, very rare. (400)



124. Decanummium. (4.07 gms.). ERACAIIO CONSVAE Bareheaded and bearded bust facing of the Exarch Heraclius, wearing consular robes, holding eagle-tipped sceptre; above head, cross. Large X between N and M, each with pellets above and beneath; above X, cross; below, star. DOC.-, MIB.-, SB.-, Berk 531A. Near EF for wear, attractive green-brown patina, very rare and important. (800)

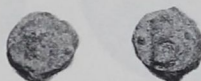
"Originally it was thought that the Carthaginian portraits on the coins from the Revolt of Heraclius were, in fact, only portraits of Heraclius. With the coming to light of some exceptional quality pieces it has been realized that the bearded portraits are coins of the Exarch of Carthage (father of the emperor Heraclius) and the beardless portraits are of the youthful Heraclius himself." (from Berk, Eastern Roman Successors of The Sestertius). This is one of the few recorded examples of this type with a clear portrait of the Exarch.



125. Decanummium. (3.71 gms.). ERACΛIO CONSVAI same types as previous but the portrait is of the younger Heraclius, without beard, the future emperor. DOC. 8, MIB. 13, SB. 715, Berk 531B. Near EF for wear, attractive dark green patina, very rare. (350)



126. Pentanummium. (1.84 gms.). Similar obverse to previous but without eagle-tipped sceptre. Large V; above, cross; star with pellets above and below to either side. DOC. 9, MIB. 14, SB. 716, Berk 532B. EF, green-brown patina, very rare. (350)



127. 2 Nummi. (0.89 gms.). Anepigraphic. Bareheaded facing bust of Heraclius, pellet on either side. Large B between two pellets. DOC. pg. 212, note 9 (notes that this piece exists in the Brussels cabinet), MIB. 15, SB. 717, Berk 533B (less than 10 recorded). VF, heavy olive-green patina obscures some of the details, extremely rare. (450)



ALEXANDRETTA

128. Follis. (9.37 gms.). 609/610. dMN ERA(CLIO) CONSULII Bareheaded and bearded facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and his father, the Exarch Heraclius, wearing consular robes; above between them, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/II(I); above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, AΛEX(ANΔ). DOC. 15, MIB. 16a (Alexandria), SB. 722, Berk 534. EF but heavy reddish-brown patina obscures some of the details, very rare. (800)



129. Follis. (10.16 gms.). 610. dM HERACLIO CONSULII Same as previous but both wear crowns with pendilia on obverse and indictional year X/III on reverse. DOC. 17, MIB. 16b (Alexandria), SB. 723, Berk 535. Near EF, dark brown patina, better strike than normal. (1000)



130. Half-follis. (4.62 gms.). 609/610. dMN ER(ACLIO) CONSUL Same obverse type as lot 128 (Berk 534). Large K between (A/N)/N/O and XIII; above, cross; below, A. DOC.-, MIB. 17 (Alexandria), SB. 724, Berk 536. Near EF for type, dark green patina, extremely rare. (800)



CYPRUS

131. Follis. (8.93 gms.). 610. dMN ERACLIO (CO)NSULII' Crowned (with pendilia) facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and the Exarch Heraclius, both wearing consular robes, cross between their heads. Large M between A/N/N/O and III; above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, KV(ΠPOV). DOC. 18, MIB. 18, SB. 725, Berk 537 (less than 10 recorded). Near EF, dark reddish-brown in color, extremely rare. (1500)

HERACLIUS

610-641



NICOMEDIA

132. Follis. (5.49 gms.). 616/617. Anepigraphic. Standing facing figures of Heraclius (in center), Heraclius Constantine (on right) and the Empress Martina, each wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large M between (A)/N/N/O and X/Pht monogram/çI; above M, cross; below, B; beneath exergual line, NIKO. Possibly unpublished with the X/Pht monogram on reverse? cf. DOC. 163b, MIB. 176, SB. 835, Berk 559. EF for wear, heavy dark olive-green patina. (50)



CYZICUS

133. Follis. (11.63 gms.). 611/612. dN hRACLI PERP AVC Cuirassed bust facing, with short beard, wearing plumed helmet, holding cross and shield. Large M between A/N/N/O and II; above, cross; below, B; beneath exergual line, KYZ. DOC. 168b, MIB. 184, SB. 839, Berk 567. EF, dark green-brown patina with a patch of lighter green patina on obverse. (100)



SELEUCIA

134. Follis. (11.75 gms.). 616/617. Blundered and illegible legend (overstruck on follis of Maurice Tiberius). Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine, smaller on right, each wearing crown with cross and chlamys; between them, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and çI; above, blundered chi-rho monogram; below, B (retrograde); in exergue, SELISU. DOC. 180var.(officina), MIB. 192, SB. 844, Berk 574. EF, dark green-brown patina. (400)



135. Follis. (16.97 gms.). 616/617. Same types as previous but officina Γ. DOC. 180var.(officina), MIB. 192, SB. 844, Berk 574. EF, dark brown patina, overstruck on an earlier follis. (1000)

"Certain Officina are known from only one pair of dies each with fewer than 3 recorded of each...They are Δ, Γ, Ε." (Berk).



136. Follis. (10.52 gms.). 616/617. Same types and officina as previous. DOC. 180var. (officina), MIB. 192, SB. 844, Berk 574. Good VF, dark green-brown patina with a lighter brown in fields and devices, extremely rare. (500)



137. Follis. (10.75 gms.). 616/617. Same types as previous but officina Δ. DOC. 180b, MIB. 192, SB. 844, Berk 574. VF+, dark brown patina, extremely rare. (800)



138. Follis. (9.91 gms.). 616/617. Blundered and fragmentary legend. Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine standing facing, each wearing crown with cross and chlamys, holding globus cruciger, cross between their heads. Large M between A/N/N/O and çI; above, chi-rho monogram; below, B; beneath exergual line, SELISU. DOC. 181b, MIB. 193, SB. 845, Berk 575. EF, dark brown patina. (400)



ISAURA

139. Follis. (12.19 gms.). 617/618. Blundered legend (...CL E hRA) Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine, both wearing crown with cross and chlamys, cross between them. Large M between A/N/N(O) and ς II; above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, (ISA)YR. DOC. 183, MIB. 196, SB. 848, Berk 578 (only 2 obverse dies known). VF+ for wear, dark green-brown patina, rough surfaces, very rare. (500)



JERUSALEM

140. Follis. (16.71 gms.). 613/614. (Dn) hERACL PP AVG Crowned bust facing, with pointed beard, wearing consular robes, holding eagle-tipped sceptre and mappa. Large M between A/N/N/O and II/II; above, (cross); below exergual line, XCNKA. DOC., MIB. pl.14, x28 (same dies), SB. 852C, Berk 581. F to VF, dark brown patina, light porosity, extremely rare. (2000)

It is interesting to note that the Emperor who received the "True" cross from the Sasanians was also the only emperor to issue a coin in Jerusalem.



ALEXANDRIA

141. Dodecanummium. (4.48 gms.). Fragmentary legend, mostly incomplete. Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine, each wearing crown and chlamys. Large IB; between, cross potent on two steps; below exergual line, AΔEX. DOC. 189.5, MIB. 200a (same dies), SB. 853, Berk 584. EF, chocolate brown patina. (100)



142. Dodecanummium. (3.11 gms.). Fragmentary legend. Similar to previous but cross between heads on obverse. DOC. 189.2, MIB. 200b, SB. 853, Berk 584. EF, dark brown patina. (60)



143. 6 Nummi. (2.83 gms.). OO(mi)hERACL (blundered legend) Cross potent on two steps. Large S. DOC. 198.2, MIB. 210, SB. 862, Berk 593. VF, dark green-brown patina. (50)



144. 4 Nummi. (1.37 gms.). Anepigraphic. Large cross within circle border. Large Δ within circle border. Unpublished. VF, green-brown patina. (2000)

This is the only recorded specimen!



145. 3 Nummi. (1.99 gms.). Palm-tree with fruit. Large Γ; to right, cross. DOC. 201.1, MIB. 214, SB. 865, Berk 597. EF, red-brown patina. (400)



CARTHAGE

146. Half-follis. (6.32 gms.). DN (ERAC)LIO PP AV Helmeted, bearded, and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger. Large XX with pellet between; above, cross; to left, star; to right, E; below exergual line, KRT ς . DOC. 235, MIB. 235, SB. 874, Berk 600. EF, green-brown patina. (200)



CATANIA

147. Decanummium. (2.17 gms.). 617/618. (D)N HERAC(LI PP AVG) Crowned, draped and cuirassed bust facing, holding globus cruciger. Large I between A/N/N/O and ς II; below exergual line, CAT. DOC. 248, MIB. 240, Spahr 26, SB. 885, Berk 605. EF, olive-green patina. (50)



148. Decanummium. (3.42 gms.). 617/618. Same as previous. DOC. 248, MIB. 240, Spahr 26, SB. 885, Berk 605. VF, olive-green patina. (50)



149. Decanummium. (2.87 gms.). 619/620. Similar to previous but ANNO X. DOC. 251, MIB. 240, Spahr 29, SB. 885, Berk 605. EF, green patina. (75)



150. Decanummium. (4.81 gms.). 620/621. Similar to previous but ANNO XI. DOC. 252, MIB. 240, Spahr 31, SB. 885, Berk 605. EF, dark green patina. (50)



151. Decanummium. (2.04 gms.). 622/623. Similar to previous but ANNO III/X. DOC. 254var., MIB. 240, Spahr 38, SB. 885, Berk 605. EF, olive-green patina. (100)



152. Decanummium. (3.55 gms.). 622/623. Similar to previous but ANNO X/III. DOC. 254, MIB. 240, Spahr 37, SB. 885, Berk 605. EF, green-brown patina. (50)



153. Decanummium. (4.35 gms.). 624/625. Anepigraphic. Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine both crowned, draped and cuirassed, cross between their heads. Large I between A/N/N/O and X/V; beneath exergual line, CAT. DOC. 256, MIB. 241, Spahr 48, SB. 886, Berk 606. EF, attractive pale green patina. (100)



154. Decanummium. (4.26 gms.). 625/626. Similar to previous but ANNO X ς . DOC. 257, MIB. 241, Spahr 49, SB. 886, Berk 606. Good EF, green patina, well-centered. (250)



155. Decanummium. (3.69 gms.). 625/626. Same as previous. DOC. 257, MIB. 241, Spahr 49, SB. 886, Berk 606. Good EF, glossy dark green patina. (400)
This is the plate coin in Berk.



156. Decanummium. (3.96 gms.). 628/629. Similar to previous but ANNO X ς III. DOC. 259, MIB. 241, Spahr 51, SB. 886, Berk 606. Good EF, dark green patina, well-centered on large flan. (350)



SYRACUSE

157. Follis. (14.01 gms.). Circa 620. Follis of Justinian I countermarked with crowned, draped and cuirassed bust of Heraclius facing with monogram to right; all within circular punch stamped on obverse of host coin. SCLs below exergual line; all contained within circular punch stamped below M of host coin. DOC. 241d. ff, MIB. Km4, Spahr 44, SB. 882, Berk 608. EF for counterstamps, attractive dark green patina. (150)



158. Follis. (16.87 gms.). Circa 620. Similar to previous. DOC. 241d. ff, MIB. Km4, Spahr 44, SB. 882, Berk 608. EF for counterstamps, dark green patina. (150)



159. Follis. (9.26 gms.). Circa 620. Follis of Heraclius (Constantinople mint) counterstamped on reverse with facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine, each wears crown and chlamys, cross between them. SCLs below exergual line counterstamped on obverse of host coin. DOC. 242, MIB. Km5, Spahr 52, SB. 883, Berk 609. EF for counterstamps, choice dark green patina. (150)



160. Follis. (5.46 gms.). Circa 620. Obverse similar to previous but Heraclius wears long beard. SCs below exergual line; to left, monogram; all within circular punch. DOC. 243, MIB. Km6, Spahr 54, SB. 884, Berk 610. Good VF for counterstamps, dark green patina. (50)



161. Follis. (5.12 gms.). Circa 620. Similar to previous. DOC. 243, MIB. Km6, Spahr 54, SB. 884, Berk 610. EF for counterstamps, glossy green-brown patina. (100)



ROME

162. Half-follis. (3.58 gms.). 613-622. (DN) ERACLIORVN Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine, both wear crown and chlamys, cross between them in field. Large XX; above, cross; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 261, MIB. 243a1, SB. 889, Berk 611. Good VF, nice green patina, planchet flaw at 6 o'clock. (100)



163. Half-follis. (2.65 gms.). Similar to previous but bust of Heraclius to the right of Heraclius Constantine's. DOC.-, MIB. 243a2, SB.-, Berk.-. EF, green patina, rare. (250)



164. Half-follis. (4.61 gms.). Similar to Lot (63) but without cross in obverse field. DOC. 262, MIB. 243b, SB. 890, Berk 612. EF, dark green-brown patina. (500)
Incredibly sharp and bold for issue!



165. Half-follis. (3.84 gms.). 622/623. DN HERACLIV Facing busts of Heraclius (in center), Heraclius Constantine (on right) and Martina, all wearing crown and chlamys. Large K; to left, A/N/N; above, X; to right, III; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 264, MIB. 244, SB. 891, Berk 613. Near EF for type, green patina. (500)



166. Half-follis. (5.74 gms.). 624/625. Similar to previous but regnal year (X)U (15). DOC. 266, MIB. 244, SB. 891, Berk 613. VF, green patina. (150)



RAVENNA

167. Follis. (8.10 gms.). 616/617. DD NN HERACLIVS ET ERA CON Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine both crowned, draped and cuirassed; in field above, cross. Four large X's with star between; above, ANNÇI; below exergual line, RAV. DOC. 285, MIB. 249, S. 911, Berk 617 (one recorded). F to VF, brown patina, extremely rare. (300)



168. Follis. (8.58 gms.). 630/631. (DD) NN HERACLIVS ET HER Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine standing facing, Heraclius holds long cross and right foot on prostrate figure; between them, cross on three steps; above, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/X/I; above, cross; directly below M, Δ (appears to be part of M); in exergue, RAV. DOC. 297b, MIB. 253a, SB. 914, Berk 621. VF, green-brown patina, rare. (350)



169. Follis. (6.33 gms.). 630/631. Similar to previous but without cross on three steps between figures. DOC. 297a, MIB. 253b, SB. 914, Berk 621var. VF, olive-green patina, flat strike in areas, rare. (350)



170. Follis. (9.62 gms.). 633/634. Anepigraphic. Heraclius (in center), Heraclius Constantine (on right) and Heraclonas standing facing, all hold globus cruciger and wear chlamys; Heraclonas wears only a plain cap with a cross above. Large M between A/N/N/O and X/X/II/II; above, monogram; below, Δ officina mark; in exergue, RAV. DOC. 303, MIB. 254, SB. 915, Berk 622. Near EF for type, dark green patina, rare. (750)



171. Follis. (9.24 gms.). 639/640. Similar to previous but Heraclonas is crowned on obverse and ANNO XXX on reverse. Overstruck on As of Divus Augustus struck under Tiberius in Rome circa 22/23 AD (cf. RIC. 81). DOC. 307, MIB. 255, SB. 916, Berk 623. VF, green-brown patina, very rare with this undertype. (500)



172. Follis. (9.24 gms.). Similar to previous but overstruck on earlier follis. DOC. 306/307, MIB. 255, SB. 916, Berk 623. Crude VG, green-brown patina, porous, very rare. (50)



173. Half-follis. (3.20 gms.). 630/631. Legend illegible. Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine standing facing as on Lot 169; in field between, cross. Large K between A/N/N/O and XXI; above, cross; below, Δ. DOC. 301bvar., MIB. 261a, SB. 922, Berk 629. Good VF, green-brown patina, rare. (250)



CHERSON

174. 8 Pentanummia (=follis). (9.21 gms.). dd NN hER(AC) E(T h)ERA CON Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine standing facing, both wearing crown and chlamys and holding globus cruciger; between, cross. Large H; to right, Martina standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding staff surmounted by inverted chi-rho. DOC. 311, MIB. 265, SB. 926, Berk 633. VF, heavy green patina, extremely rare. (2000)



THESSALONICA

175. Follis. (11.15 gms.). Unclear Date. Overstruck on follis of Focas (...CAS PERP AVG). Heraclius (on left) and Heraclius Constantine standing facing, both wearing crown and chlamys and holding globus cruciger; between, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O (fragmentary) and (?)/II; above, cross; beneath exergual line, TEC. DOC. 135b, MIB. 218, SB. 824, Berk 636. Good VF, dark red-brown patina. (50)

CONSTANS II

641-668



CONSTANTINOPLE

176. Decanummium. (1.99 gms.). 661/662. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing with long beard, holding globus cruciger (off flan). Large I; to left, X/X/I; officina letter not visible to right; above, cross; in exergue, CO(N). DOC. 97, MIB. 186, SB. 1021, Berk 672. VF, dark green patina, reverse surfaces smoothed. (50)



ALEXANDRIA

177. Alexandria. Constans II. 641-668. Dodecanummium. (8.74 gms.). Anepigraphic. Constans standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding long cross and globus cruciger. Large IB with cross potent on globe between; two pellets in fields; in exergue, AΛEX. DOC. 105.4, MIB. 189, SB. 1027, Berk 675. Good VF, green-brown patina, surfaces smoothed, scarce with this clear of an image. (100)



CARTHAGE

178. Follis. (2.79 gms.). c. 660/661. EN TOTO N(I)K Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys. Large M between N/O/NI (retrograde) and M/X/X; above, cross; below, Γ (retrograde) beneath horizontal bar; beneath exergual line, KAR. Possibly Unpublished? VF+, dark reddish-brown patina. (300)

Ex: *Monetarium (Swiss Credit) List No. 48, #243.*



179. Half-follis. (3.64 gms.). CONSTANTINVS Crowned bust facing, beardless, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large cross between two X's; beneath exergual line, CRTS. DOC. 138.7, MIB. 196v., SB. 1057, Berk 682var. (without DN preceding legend). Good VF, dark green patina. (75)



180. Half-follis. (5.35 gms.). Fragmentary legend. Bust facing, with short beard, wearing consular robes and trefoil ornamented crown, holding globus cruciger and mappa (both not visible on this specimen). Large cross between C and T (above) and two X's (below); above, X; pellets to either side of cross. DOC. 144, MIB. 198a, SB. 1059, Berk 684. EF for issue, light green and brown patina, surfaces smoothed. (75)



SYRACUSE

181. Follis. (4.78 gms.). 642/643. IHPER CONST Beardless bust facing, wearing crown and chlamys and holds globus cruciger. Large M (above) and SCs (below) between A/N/A and N/E/O/S; in field to left of SCs, cross. DOC. 9d (Heraclonas), MIB. 204b, Spahr 109, SB. 1103, Berk 691. EF (basically as struck), attractive dark green patina. (200) *An amazingly clear strike!*



182. Follis. (5.12 gms.). 647-650. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, bearded (indicated by row of dots), wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large M with monogram above. DOC. 177a, MIB. 206, Spahr 114, SB. 1105, Berk 693. EF, brown patina. (125)
Overstruck on follis of previous type (Berk 691).



183. Follis. (5.48 gms.). 650-651. Similar to previous but Constans has a long beard and SCL below M on the reverse. DOC. 178, MIB. 207, Spahr 117, SB. 1107, Berk 694. Superb XF (as struck), choice green patina. (150)



184. Follis. (5.56 gms.). 650-651. Similar to previous. DOC. 178, MIB. 207, Spahr 117, SB. 1107, Berk 694. Superb XF (as struck), brown patina. (100)



185. Follis. (5.23 gms.). 652/653. Constans standing facing, with long beard, wearing crown and chlamys and holding globus cruciger; to left, (I)/N/Δ; to right, I/A (11th indiction). Large M; above, cross; below SCL with exergual line. DOC. 179, MIB. 208, Spahr 118, SB. 1108, Berk 695. Superb XF (as struck), beautiful dark green patina. (250)



186. Follis. (8.29 gms.). 654-659. Anepigraphic. Constans (on left) and Constantine IV standing facing, both crowned, the former holds a long staff and the latter a globus cruciger. Large M; above, monogram; below, SCL with exergual line. DOC. 180, MIB. 209, Spahr 138, SB. 1109, Berk 696. Good EF with dark green patina. (250)



187. Follis. (2.62 gms.). 659-668. Similar to previous but Constans holds long cross instead of plain staff and on reverse, standing figures to either side of M of Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius. DOC. 181, MIB. 210, Spahr 159, SB. 1110, Berk 697. Superb XF (as struck), dark green patina. (200)



188. Half-follis. (6.53 gms.). 648/649. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing of Constans with slight beard (denoted by row of dots), holding globus cruciger and wearing chlamys. Large K monogram between A/N and Z (7th indictional year). DOC. 182a, MIB. 211, Spahr 119, SB. 1111, Berk 698. EF, brown patina with touches of green and red encrustation spots on obverse. (100)



189. Half-follis. (4.09 gms.). 651/652. Similar to previous but Constans has long beard and in right field, cross surmounted by palm-branch. Large K monogram between A/N and I (10th indictional year). DOC. 183, MIB. 212, Spahr 120, SB. 1113, Berk 699. Superb XF (as struck) with a lovely dark green patina. (200)



190. Half-follis. (2.21 gms.). 660/661. Anepigraphic. Crowned facing busts of Constans (on left) and Constantine IV, both wear chlamys and Constans holds globus cruciger. Large K between +/A/N and N/O/Δ (4th indictional year). DOC. 184, MIB. 213, Spahr 140, SB. 1114, Berk 700. VF+, dark green patina. (60)



191. Decanummium. (2.63 gms.). 651/652. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large I between A/N and (N)/O/I (10th indictional year). DOC. 185, MIB. 214, Spahr 121, SB. 1115, Berk 701. EF, attractive green-brown patina. (175)



192. Decanummium. (1.97 gms.). 660/661. Similar to previous but on reverse +/A/N and N/O/Δ (4th indictional year). DOC.-, MIB. 215, Spahr-, SB. 1115A, Berk 702. Good VF, dark green patina, rare. (100)



ROME

193. Half-follis. (4.04 gms.). 642-645. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing wearing chlamys. Large XX; above, cross; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 194, MIB. 217, SB. 1127, Berk 704. EF, dark green patina, scarce. (200)



194. Half-follis. (6.76 gms.). 642-645. Similar to previous. DOC. 194, MIB. 217, SB. 1127, Berk 704. EF but weak strike on obverse, green patina. (200)



195. Half-follis. (1.94 gms.). 646-650. Traces of blundered legend. Crowned bust facing with long beard and wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Reverse same as previous. DOC. 196, MIB. 219, SB. 1128, Berk 706. EF, dark green patina. (350)



196. Half-follis. (2.10 gms.). 659-668. Traces of blundered legend. Facing busts of Constans (on left) and Constantine IV, both wearing a crown and chlamys. Facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius, each wearing crown and chlamys; between them, X/X; beneath exergual line, ROM. DOC. 197 (no legend), MIB. 220, SB. 1129 (no legend), Berk 707. VF+, dark green patina. (225)



197. Decanummium. (2.20 gms.). 642-645. Fragmentary legend. Crowned bust facing wearing chlamys. Large X within dotted circle border. DOC.-, MIB. 221a, SB. 1129A, Berk 708 (two recorded). Good VF, green patina, very rare. (200)



198. Decanummium. (1.09 gms.). 650-668. Anepigraphic. Similar to previous but with long beard and on reverse X surrounded by M and I to left and right, and by a cross and star above and below. DOC. 199, MIB. 223b, SB. 1131, Berk 710. EF, dark green patina, rare. (150)



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199. Follis. (6.29 gms.). 646/647. (DN) CONSTANTINVS PP Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large M between A/N/N/O and I/II/II/I; above, cross; below exergual line, RAV. DOC. 206, MIB. 224c, SB. 1138, Berk 711var. (without letter below M). VF for type, pale green patina, very rare. (100)

CONSTANTINE IV, Pogonatus 668-685



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200. Follis. (15.85 gms.). (dN CONSTAN)TINYS PP AV
 Helmeted bust facing, beardless, wearing cuirass, holding
 globus cruciger. Large M between facing, standing figures of
 Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius, both wearing crown and
 chlamys and holding globus cruciger; above M, cross;
 below, Δ; beneath exergual line, CON. DOC. 28d., MIB. 77,
 SB. 1173, Berk 715. VF+, green and red patina, obverse
 corroded. (500)



201. Follis. (18.27 gms.). Similar to previous but officina B.
 DOC. 28b., MIB. 77, SB. 1173, Berk 715. VF+, attractive
 dark green patina. (600)



202. Follis. (10.46 gms.). 683-685. Legend not visible.
 Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing three-quarters right,
 holding spear and shield. Large M between A/N/N/O and
 numerals representing the regnal year (not visible on this
 coin); above, cross; below, E; beneath exergual line, CO(N).
 cf. DOC. 32b., MIB. 81, SB. 1177, Berk 719. VF, light
 brown patina, slightly porous, very rare. (400)



203. Three-quarter follis. (13.72 gms.). Anepigraphic. Obverse
 type similar to Lot 200. Large Λ between Heraclius (on left)
 and Tiberius, both standing facing, wearing crown and
 chlamys, holding globus cruciger; beneath Λ, B; in exergue,
 CO(N). DOC. 34, MIB. 82, SB. 1178, Berk 720. Near VF,
 light brown in color, some corrosion, extremely rare.
 (2000)

Harlan J. Berk notes in his book that "the last time one of these coins sold at a public auction (Sternberg, 1978, lot #855), an EF specimen, it brought SFR 5000. That specimen is the H-82 (MIB) plate coin. Of the examples that exist, two are G, one is F, the other two are EF." This specimen is illustrated in Berk with a line drawing.



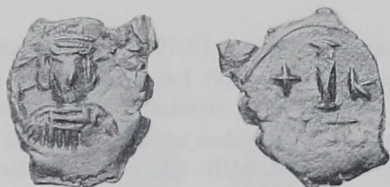
204. Half-follis. (9.66 gms.). 673/674. Anepigraphic. Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing three-quarters right, with short beard, holding spear over shoulder. Large K (both mark of value and regnal year) between (A)/N/N/(O) and CO(N); beneath K, Γ; above, cross. DOC.-, MIB. 85b, SB. 1179B, Berk 722. VF, green and brown patina, rare. (300)



205. Half-follis. (9.47 gms.). 673/674. Anepigraphic. Obverse similar to previous but also holding shield with horseman device. Large K between A/N/N/O and C/ON; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 36var. (officina), MIB. 86, SB. 1180, Berk 723. Good EF, red-brown patina, rare. (650)



206. Half-follis. (8.27 gms.). 673/674. Anepigraphic. Obverse similar to lot 204 (Berk 722) but in right field, M. Large K between M and cross. DOC. 37, MIB. 87, SB. 1181, Berk 724. EF for issue, dark brown patina, rare. (350)



207. Decanummium. (4.65 gms.). Anepigraphic. Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing three-quarters right, holding spear and shield. Large I between cross and K; in exergue, (C)ON (very faint). DOC.-, MIB. 92, SB. 1183Bvar.(CON), Berk 728 (Berk Class III). VF, lovely emerald green patina, extremely rare. (500)
Only the third known specimen!



208. Pentanummium. (2.32 gms.). c. 681-685. Anepigraphic. Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing three-quarters right, with short beard, holding spear over shoulder. Large E. DOC. 41.1, MIB. 96, SB. 1186, Berk 732. EF, brown patina. (400)

Overstruck on an earlier coin, undertype apparent in places.



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209. Follis. (4.23 gms.). 669-672. Anepigraphic. Facing bust, beardless, wearing helmet and cuirass and holding globus cruciger. Large M between Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius, both wearing crown and chlamys and holding globus cruciger; above, monogram; in exergue, SCL. DOC. 60, MIB. 104, Spahr 172, SB. 1207, Berk 739. EF, dark green patina. (125)

Probably overstruck on a earlier follis of Constans II.



210. Follis. (3.18 gms.). 669-672. Anepigraphic. Same as previous. DOC. 60, MIB. 104, Spahr 172, SB. 1207, Berk 739. VF+/VF, pale green and light brown patina. (100)



211. Follis. (5.18 gms.). 672-677. Anepigraphic. Constantine IV standing facing, wearing helmet and cuirass, holding spear. Reverse similar to previous. DOC. 62, MIB. 105, SB. 1209, Berk 740. EF for type, green patina. (250)



212. Follis. (7.03 gms.). 677-681. Anepigraphic. His bust, three-quarter facing right, wearing helmet and cuirass, holding spear and shield. Reverse similar to previous. DOC. 61, MIB. 106, SB. 1208, Berk 741. Good VF, brown patina. (150)



213. Follis. (4.72 gms.). 681-682. Obverse similar to previous. Large M; above, monogram; below exergual line, SCL. DOC. 63, MIB. 107, SB. 1210, Berk 742. EF, pale green patina with touches of brown. (175)



214. Follis. (6.19 gms.). 681-682. Same as previous. DOC. 63, MIB. 107, SB. 1210, Berk 742. VF, olive green patina. (150)



215. Follis. (4.06 gms.). 682-685. Obverse similar to lot 211 but wearing cloak and holding globus cruciger in left hand. Reverse similar to previous. DOC. 64, MIB. 108, SB. 1211, Berk 743var. (without brothers). EF for type, green patina. (150)



216. Half-follis. (1.54 gms.). 668-672. Anepigraphic. His bust facing, wearing helmet (ornamented by cross) and cuirass, holding globus cruciger. Large K between +/A/N and N/O/Δ; SCL in exergue. DOC. 66, MIB. 110, SB. 1213, Berk 745. Near EF, green patina with lighter highlights. (250)



217. Half-follis. (3.25 gms.). Similar to previous. DOC. 66, MIB. 110, SB. 1213, Berk 745. VF, turquoise green patina. (100)



218. Half-follis. (2.74 gms.). 672-677. Anepigraphic. His bust, three-quarter facing right, wearing helmet and cuirass, holding spear. Large K between +/A/N and (N)/O/Δ; above, cross and without SCL in exergue. DOC. 67, MIB. 111, SB. 1214, Berk-. Good VF, dark green patina, rare. (100)



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219. Half-follis. (1.39 gms.). Fragmentary legend. Crowned bust facing wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large XX; below exergual line, NE. DOC. 79bis, MIB. 113, SB. 1231, Berk 746. Good VF, brown patina with traces of green, very rare. (950)



220. Half-follis. (1.55 gms.). Legend not visible. Crowned bust facing wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large XX; below exergual line, NE. DOC. 79bis, MIB. 113, SB. 1231, Berk 746. Good VF, brown patina, very rare. (1200) *This type is rare with a clear NE in the exergue. This is also the plate coin in Berk.*



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221. Half-follis. (3.85 gms.). 674-685. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, beardless, wearing chlamys and holding spear. X/X between crowned facing busts of Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius; above cross; beneath exergual line, ROM. DOC. 82, MIB. 115, SB. 1234, Berk 747. VF, dark green patina, rare. (400)



222. Half-follis. (2.39 gms.). 674-685. Anepigraphic. Similar to previous. DOC. 82, MIB. 115, SB. 1234, Berk 747. VF, light brown in color, reverse off-center, rare. (150)



223. Half-follis. (3.08 gms.). 681-685. Obverse similar to previous. X+X; below exergual line, ROM. DOC. 84, MIB. 116, SB. 1236, Berk 748. VF, green patina. (100)



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224. Follis. (4.06 gms.). 678/679. (DN COT)INVS PP His bust, three-quarter facing right, wearing helmet and cuirass, holding spear and shield. Large M between Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius, both wearing crown and chlamys and holding globus cruciger; above, Z; below, Θ; in exergue, RAV. DOC. 86, MIB. 117, SB. 1238, Berk 749var. VF, brown patina, very rare. (350)



225. Follis. (4.41 gms.). 681/682. DN COT(INVS PP) Obverse similar to previous. Large M between Heraclius (on left) and Tiberius as previous, but above; ANNO/(X)XVIII; below Θ; in exergue, RAV. cf. DOC. 90, MIB. 117, SB. 1239, Berk 749. VF, attractive green patina. (450)

**JUSTINIAN II
FIRST REIGN
685-695**


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226. Follis. (9.01 gms.). 685/686. Fragmentary legend (...NIANUS...). Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing military attire and holding globus cruciger. Large M between A/N/N/N/O (double or overstruck) and I; above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, CO(N). Unpublished except for Berk 752A (plate coin). EF, dark green-brown patina. (3000)

This coin is of regnal year 1 and solves the problem of what happened to year 1 as only year 2 and later were recorded previously. This coin is reminiscent of his father's, Constantine IV, first issue and it is not only of the first year but a totally different type than the later issues!



227. Follis. (10.32 gms.). IYSTIN(IA)NYS P E Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger; in right field, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and cross/II/horizontal line; above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line; CON. DOC. 18a, MIB. 44, SB. 1260, Berk 752B. EF, dark green-brown patina. (1500) *Folles are much more rare than half-folles which for years 2, 3 and 4 are very common. This is possibly the finest known and it is the plate coin in Berk.*



228. Follis. (4.19 gms.). 694/695. Fragmentary legend. Justinian standing facing, wearing crown and military attire, holding globus cruciger and long cross. Large M between (A/N/N/O) and X; above, cross; below, Γ; in exergue, CON. DOC.-, MIB. 45, SB. 1260A, Berk 753. VF, light brown in color, some corrosion. (600)

This type is only recorded for this year. The obverse is extremely sharp and the reverse exhibits the usual corrosion for this type.



229. Half-follis. (5.57 gms.). 690/691. Anepigraphic. Facing bust with short beard, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large K between (A/N)/N/O and ς; cross (not visible) above and unclear officina below. DOC. 24, MIB. 47, SB. 1262, Berk 755. VF, brown patina. (400)
Overstruck on a quartered follis of his father, Constantine IV, of which his portrait is clearly visible.



230. Half-follis. (4.40 gms.). 686/687. Similar to previous but year 2 (II) and officina Γ. DOC. 20a, MIB. 47, SB. 1262, Berk 755. VF, green and brown patina. (250)



231. Decanummium. (1.44 gms.). 685/686. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, beardless, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large I between cross and I (regal year). DOC. 26, MIB. 49, SB. 1263, Berk 757. VF, light brown in color. (250)



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232. Half-follis. (4.57 gms.). (DN IYSTI)NIANYS PP Crowned bust facing, beardless, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large K between two crosses; beneath, PAX. DOC. 39, MIB. 63, SB. 1279, Berk 770. VF, dark brown patina with touches of green, very rare. (400)



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233. Follis. (5.51 gms.) 685-688. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing with short beard, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large M between monogram and (SCL). DOC. 54, MIB. 65, Spahr 210, SB. 1295, Berk 772. EF for issue, heavy dark green patina. (225)



234. Follis. (3.32 gms.). 687-689. Anepigraphic. Justinian standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Reverse similar to previous. DOC. 58, MIB. 66, Spahr 218, SB. 1298, Berk 773. EF for issue, attractive green patina. (350)



235. Follis. (1.84 gms.). Circa 689/690. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, wearing jewelled robe and holding akakia and globus cruciger. Large M; above, monogram; beneath exergual line, SCL. DOC. 53, MIB. 67, Spahr 209, SB. 1294, Berk 774. VF, green-brown patina. (125)



236. Follis. (5.30 gms.). Circa 689/690. Anepigraphic. Same as previous. DOC. 53, MIB. 67, Spahr 209, SB. 1294, Berk 774. EF, dark green patina. (500)



237. Follis. (3.18 gms.). Circa 690/691. Anepigraphic. Similar to previous but with star and branch in right field and star below M on reverse. cf. DOC. 55, MIB. 68, Spahr-, SB. 1296, Berk 775. VF, olive-green patina, rare. (100)



238. Follis. (3.96 gms.). Circa 692/693. Anepigraphic. Justinian standing facing, wearing helmet and military attire, holding spear and globus cruciger. Large M; above, monogram; beneath exergual line, SCL. DOC. 62, MIB. 70, Spahr 223, SB. 1302, Berk 777. Good VF, green patina. (75)



239. Follis. (3.87 gms.). Circa 693/694. Anepigraphic. Similar to previous but in obverse fields, branch and plant. Reverse similar to previous but to left, C/VP (P retrograde)/A and to right, (K/OV/CI). DOC. 61, MIB. 71, Spahr 225, SB. 1301, Berk 778. VF, green-brown patina, rare. (100)



240. Follis. (3.43 gms.). 694/695. Obverse similar to previous but emperor holds akakia not spear; in fields, star above a palm-branch. Large M between I/N/Δ and +H+ (8th indictional year); above, monogram; below exergual line, SCL. DOC. 63, MIB. 72, Spahr 226, SB. 1303, Berk 779. Good EF, glossy emerald green patina. (500)



241. Follis. (4.69 gms.). Circa 695. Anepigraphic. Justinian enthroned facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding akakia and globus cruciger; in right field, star. Large M between two palms; above, monogram; below exergual line, SCL. DOC. 64, MIB. 73, Spahr 222, SB. 1304, Berk 780. VF, green-brown patina. (100)



242. Half-follis. (1.49 gms.). Circa 690/691. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger; in right field, star. Large K between +/A/N and (N)/O/Δ; above, monogram; below exergual line, SCL. DOC. 65, MIB. 74, Spahr 227, SB. 1305, Berk 781. Near EF, emerald green patina, rare. (300)



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243. Naples. Justinian II. 685-695. Half-follis. (2.69 gms.). Legend not visible. Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large XX; beneath exergual line, NE. DOC. 67, MIB. 76, SB. 1307, Berk 783. Good VF, green patina, very rare. (800)



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244. Three-quarter follis. (1.44 gms.). Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, beardless, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large (X)X(X); beneath exergual line, ROM. DOC. 69, MIB. 77, SB. 1309, Berk 784. EF, dark reddish-brown patina, clipped rectangular flan as always seen. (400)



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245. Follis. (2.38 gms.). Anepigraphic. Obverse similar to previous. Large M; above, cross; below, RAV (partially off the flan). DOC. 72, MIB. 78, SB. 1310, Berk 785. VG, brown patina, broken, very rare. (100)

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246. Follis. (7.79 gms.). Overstruck on a follis of Justinian II thus unclear legend and date. (D. LEON) PE AV Crowned bust facing, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger. Large M between A/N/N/O and regnal year (obliterated by overstriking); above, cross; below, Γ; in exergue, CON. DOC. 5, MIB. 32, SB. 1334, Berk 786. EF, dark green-brown patina, rare. (1500)

A magnificent portrait struck on an immense, glossy flan.



247. Follis. (4.84 gms.). 695/696(?). D LEON PE AV Same as previous but officina B and regnal year off the flan (probably A=1). DOC. 5, MIB. 32, SB. 1334, Berk 786. VF+, dark green-brown patina. (550)

Probably overstruck on a half-follis of Justinian II and as with Justinian, folles of this emperor are infinitely more rare than half-folles.



248. Half-follis. (3.52 gms.). Anepigraphic. Same obverse type as previous folles. Large K between A/(N/N/O) and Greek or Roman numeral (regnal year); above, cross; below, officina letter (all of the reverse details obscured by overstriking on a quartered follis of Constantine IV). cf. DOC. 8/9, MIB. 33, SB. 1335, Berk 787. VF, brown surfaces. (300)



249. Decanummium. (1.74 gms.). 695/696. Anepigraphic. Same obverse type as previous. Large I between cross and A (regnal year); in exergue, (CON). DOC. 10a, MIB. 34, SB. 1336, Berk 788 (less than 10 recorded). Good VF, light brown in color, rough flan lightly porous, very rare. (400)



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250. Half-follis. (2.36 gms.). D LEON (PE AV) Crowned bust facing, wearing loros and holding akakia and globus cruciger. Large S K. DOC. 11, MIB. 35, SB. 1338, Berk 789. VF, dark brown patina, very rare. (800)



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251. Follis. (3.78 gms.). Anepigraphic. Obverse similar to previous. Large M; above, monogram; beneath exergual line, SCL. DOC. 17, MIB. 36, Spahr 237, SB. 1343, Berk 790. VF, green-brown patina, rare. (350)



252. Follis. (5.74 gms.). Anepigraphic. Leontius standing facing, wearing crown and loros, holding akakia and globus cruciger. Reverse similar to previous. DOC. 18, MIB. 37, Spahr 239, SB. 1344, Berk 791. VF, dark green patina, rare. (350)



ROME

253. Three-quarter follis. (1.73 gms.). Anepigraphic. Bearded bust facing, wearing crown and loros. Large XXX; below exergual line, ROM (retrograde). cf. DOC. 25, MIB. 38, SB. 1352, Berk 792. VF, green-brown patina, rare. (325)



254. Three-quarter follis. (1.25 gms.). Similar to previous but of finer style and on reverse (R)OM is normal. DOC. 25, MIB. 38, SB. 1352, Berk 792. Near EF, green patina, clipped rectangular flan as usual. (450)

TIBERIUS III Apsimar 698-705



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255. Follis. (3.42 gms.). Uncertain year. Fragmentary legend. Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing cuirass, holding spear across body and shield. Large M between (A/N/N/O) and regnal year (off the flan); above, cross; below, B; in exergue, CO(N). cf. DOC. 7-10, MIB. 73, SB. 1366, Berk 795. VF, light brown in color, slightly porous. (275)



256. Follis. (5.83 gms.). 701/702. Fragmentary and illegible legend. Tiberius standing facing, wearing crown and military attire, holding globus cruciger and long cross. Large M between (A/N)/N/(O) and Δ; above, cross (obscured); below, Δ; in exergue, (CON) obscured by overstriking on an earlier coin. DOC. 11d, MIB. 74, SB. 1367, Berk 796. Near VF, light brown in color. (325)

This coin exhibits a clear year and officina.



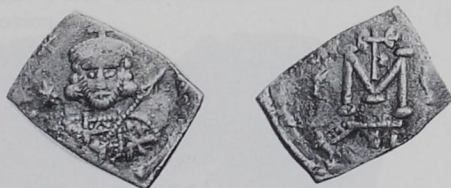
257. Half-follis. (3.27 gms.). 698/699. Illegible legend. Same obverse type as lot 255. Large K between (A/N/N/O) and I; above, cross; below, uncertain officina letter. DOC. 12a, MIB. 75, SB. 1368, Berk 797. VF, dark brown patina, corrosion. (275)

Struck on a quartered follis of Constantine IV.



258. Half-follis. (3.39 gms.). 701/702. Same obverse type as lot 256. Large K between (A)/N/N/(O) and Δ; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 13, MIB. 76, SB. 1369, Berk 798. VF, red-brown in color. (350)

Struck on a quartered follis of Constantine IV.



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259. Follis. (3.57 gms.). 698-701. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, cuirassed, holding spear and shield; in left field, star. Large M between two palms; above, monogram; below exergual line, (S)CL. DOC. 32, MIB. 79b, Spahr 271, SB. 1395, Berk 801. VF+, medium brown patina. (750)

The portrait on this coin looks somewhat like Leontius.



260. Follis. (2.31 gms.). 700-705. Anepigraphic. Tiberius standing facing, wearing crown and long tunic, holding long cross and globus cruciger. Large M between two crosses; above, monogram; below, star; in exergue, SCL. DOC. 33, MIB. 80, Spahr 272, SB. 1396, Berk 802. EF, dark green patina. (450)



261. Follis. (3.39 gms.). Anepigraphic. Bust facing, wearing plumed helmet and cuirass, holding spear over shoulder. Large M between palms; above, monogram of Tiberius; in exergue, (SCL). Unpublished. Near VF, green-brown patina, porous. (400)

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262. Follis. (11.33 gms.). 705/706. Fragmentary and blundered legend (...HIN IhSS...). Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing loros, holding cross potent on steps (right hand) and patriarchal cross on globe (left). Large M between (A)/N/(N/O) and X/X; below, T; beneath exergual line, CON. DOC. 11a, MIB. 42a, SB. 1426, Berk 805. VF, dark green and brown patina, very rare. (800)

Struck on an extremely large flan.



263. Follis. (3.95 gms.). 705/706. Partial legend (...TIBERIYS P). Facing busts of Justinian II (on left) and Tiberius, each wearing crown and chlamys, holding between them a patriarchal cross on globe inscribed PAX. Large M between (A)/N/N/O and X/X (fragment of left to right line or dash below); above, cross; below, A; beneath exergual line, CON. DOC. 12a, MIB. 43, SB. 1428, Berk 806. EF, dark green patina, rare this nice. (1500)

This type almost never appears on nice quality planchets.



264. Half-follis. (3.14 gms.). 705/706. Legend not visible. Obverse similar to lot 262. Large K between (A)/N/N/O and X/X (of which to the left, Γ (retrograde)); above, cross; below; officina letter obliterated by corrosion. cf. DOC. 13a, MIB. 44, SB. 1429, Berk 807. VF, green-brown patina. (325)

Berk notes that "these are the poorest strikes of the series."



265. Half-follis. (2.50 gms.). 705/706. Fragmentary legend. Facing busts of Justinian II (on left) and Tiberius, each wearing crown and chlamys, holding between them patriarchal cross on globe inscribed PAX. Large K between A/N/N/O and X/X; above, cross; below, Γ. DOC. 15b, MIB. 45, SB. 1431, Berk 808. EF, brown in color, surfaces porous. (500)



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266. Follis. (4.32 gms.). 705. Anepigraphic. Bust facing, wearing crown and loros, holding globus cruciger and cross potent on steps (not visible). Large M between two crosses; above, monogram; below exergual line, SCL. DOC. 20, MIB. 47, Spahr 275, SB. 1436, Berk 810. EF, heavy green patina. (200)



267. Follis. (2.65 gms.). 705. Anepigraphic. Similar to previous. DOC. 20, MIB. 47, Spahr 275, SB. 1436, Berk 810. VF+ for type, dark green patina. (400)



268. Follis. (2.05 gms.). 705-706. Anepigraphic. Similar to previous but holding akakia and star in upper left field. cf. DOC. 57 (1st reign), MIB. 48a, Spahr 276, SB. 1297 (1st reign), Berk 811. Near EF, dark green patina, rough surfaces. (200)



269. Follis. (2.73 gms.). 706-707. Anepigraphic. Justinian standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding long cross and akakia. Large M between two stars; above, monogram; below, E; in exergue, SCL. DOC. 59 (1st reign), MIB. 49, Spahr 219, SB. 1299 (1st reign), Berk 812. Near VF, green patina. (150)



270. Follis. (3.37 gms.). 709-710. Anepigraphic. Justinian (on left) and Tiberius standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, each holding long cross. Large M between two stars; above, monogram; below, S(CL). DOC. -, MIB. 52, SB. 1438, Berk 815. VF, attractive emerald green patina, very rare. (400)



271. Half-follis. (2.32 gms.). Facing bust wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger; in right field, star. Large K between N and H; beneath, A. Unpublished, overstruck on a follis of Justinian II (1st reign) of type MIB 68 and Seaby 1296. Good VF, green-brown patina. (300)

PHILIPPICUS

711-713



CONSTANTINOPE

272. Follis. (2.22 gms.). Fragmentary legend. Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing loros, holding globus cruciger (right hand) and eagle-tipped sceptre in left. Large M between (A)/N/N/O and obscured regnal year numerals; above, cross; below, Γ; in exergue, CO(N). DOC. 9-10, MIB. 21, SB. 1455, Berk 819. Good VF, reddish-brown in color, corrosion. (500)



SYRACUSE

273. Follis. (2.19 gms.). Anepigraphic. Philippicus standing facing, wearing helmet and military attire, holding eagle-tipped sceptre and globus cruciger. Large M between two stars; above, monogram; below exergual line, (S)CL. DOC. MIB. 24, SB. 1460A, Berk 822. VF, dark brown patina, very rare. (600)

ANASTASIUS II Artemius

713-715



CONSTANTINOPE

274. Follis. (3.09 gms.). 713/714. Fragmentary legend. Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger and akakia; in right field, cross. Large M between A/N/N/O and I; above, (cross); below, Γ; in exergue, CON. DOC. 7b, MIB. 28, SB. 1469, Berk 824. Good VF, reddish-brown patina, corrosion, very rare. (600)



275. Follis. (3.09 gms.). 713/714. Fragmentary legend. Similar to previous but overstruck on a follis of Philippicus (officina A). DOC. 7b, MIB. 28, SB. 1469, Berk 824. Near VF, dark green-black patina, corrosion, very rare. (400) *Overstruck on a follis of Philippicus of year 1 of Berk 819 type.*



CATANIA

276. Follis. (1.47 gms.). 715. Anepigraphic. Anastasius standing facing, wearing crown and loros, holding spear and globus cruciger. Large M between K and T; above, monogram; below exergual line, SCL. DOC. 14 (misdescribed), MIB. 34, Spahr -, SB. 1475B, Berk 828.5. VF+, dark green patina, ragged flan, very rare. (500)



277. Follis. (2.79 gms.). 715. Anepigraphic. Same as previous. DOC. 14 (misdescribed), MIB. 34, Spahr -, SB. 1475B, Berk 828.5. EF, dark green patina, very rare. (800)
Ex: Swiss Credit (Bern) Auction 1, April 1983, Lot 582.

THEODOSIUS III of Adramytium 715-717



CONSTANTINOPLE

278. Half-follis. (1.52 gms.). Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing loros and holding patriarchal cross on globe (right hand) and akakia in left (both not visible on this coin); in right field, cross. Large K between (A/N)/N/O and uncertain regnal year; above, (cross); below, A. DOC. 6, MIB. 14, SB. 1493, Berk 831 (less than 5 recorded). EF for this emperor, light brown in color as usual. (1000)



279. Decanummium. (0.86 gms.). Fragmentary legend. Obverse similar to previous. Large I. DOC.-, MIB.-, SB.-, Berk 832 (five recorded). VF/F, reddish brown patina, corrosion, extremely rare. (1000)



SYRACUSE

280. Follis. (2.62 gms.). 715. Anepigraphic. Crowned bust facing, wearing loros, holding patriarchal cross and akakia. Large M between monogram above and star below; in exergue, SCL. DOC. 8, MIB. 15, Spahr 294, SB. 1495, Berk 833 (less than 5 recorded). Good VF, green-brown patina, extremely rare. (1250)



281. Follis. (1.83 gms.). Anepigraphic. Obverse same as previous but holding spear over shoulder instead of patriarchal cross. Large M between two palms; above, monogram; below, Θ; in exergue, S(CL). DOC. 9, MIB. 16, Spahr 293, SB. 1496, Berk 834 (less than 5 recorded). EF, light green patina, ragged flan, extremely rare. (800)



ROME

282. Three-quarter follis. (0.62 gms.). Anepigraphic. Facing bust wearing crown and loros. Large XXX; below exergual line, (R)OM. DOC.-, MIB. 17, SB. 1501, Berk 835. EF, green and brown patina, clipped rectangular flan, extremely rare. (800)

LEO III the "Isaurian" 717-741



SYRACUSE

283. Follis. (4.81 gms.). 717-720. Partial Legend (...N P A MYL). Leo standing facing, wearing crown and loros, holding akakia and long cross. Large M between (A/N/N/O) and X/(X); above, cross; below, A (unlisted officina); beneath exergual line, (C)ON. DOC.- (but now in D.O.), MIB. 24, SB. 1513A, Berk 836 (less than 10 recorded). VF/F, brown in color, corroded, extremely rare. (500)



284. Follis. (3.84 gms.). c. 735-741. Partial legend (...NSC...). Facing busts of Leo III (on left) and Constantine V, both wearing crown and chlamys and holding akakia in right hands. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; below, B (LEON visible above M from undertype). DOC. 39b, SB. 1516, Berk 840. Fine, dark green patina. (50)



285. Half-follis. (3.50 gms.). Large size (22 mm.). c. 720-721. (d)NO LEON P A (MYL) Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger and akakia. (dN CO)NSTANTINUS Facing bust of Constantine V, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger and akakia; all above a plain horizontal bar; to right, cross; below bar; large K between A/A and X/X. DOC. 32, SB. 1518, Berk 841. Good VF, red-brown patina, rare. (400)



286. Half-follis. (1.87 gms.). Legend not visible. Leo standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding akakia and long cross. Large K between A/N/N/(O) and X/X; above, cross; below, Γ. DOC. 85 (Justinian II, 1st reign), MIB. 26, SB. 1517A, Berk 842 (less than five recorded). Fine, reddish-brown patina, light corrosion, extremely rare. (200)



287. Half-follis. (1.87 gms.). c.735-741. L(EON S) CON Facing busts of Leo III (on left) and Constantine V, both bearded and wearing crown and chlamys, holding akakia in right hands. Large K between X/X/X and (N)/N/N; above, cross; below; B. DOC. 41b, SB. 1520, Berk 845. VF, dark brown patina, light corrosion. (250)



288. Decanummium. (1.44 gms.). 717-720. Legend not visible. Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing three-quarters right, holding spear over shoulder and shield (ornamented with chi-rho). Large I between +/X and X/X; horizontal lines above and below; in exergue, (CON). DOC. 27, MIB. 28, SB. 1521, Berk 847 (less than 10 recorded). EF, dark brown in color, some isolated corrosion on reverse, extremely rare. (1400)

An amazingly beautiful and sharp coin! This is the Berk plate coin.



289. Decanummium. (2.55 gms.). c.720-721. (dNO LEO...) Similar to lot 285 but below horizontal bar, large I; to left of I, A/N/(N); to right, X/X. DOC. 35, SB. 1522, Berk 848. Good VF, dark brown patina, rare. (400)



SYRACUSE

290. Follis. (4.03 gms.). 721-730. d LEOM Facing bust of Leo III, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Reverse legend not visible. Facing bust of Constantine V, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger; beneath, large M between SC and L. DOC. 54a, Spahr 318, SB. 1530, Berk 851. EF, green patina. (800)



291. Follis. (4.38 gms.). 731-741. Leo III standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys and holding cross; between (Λ/E/O/N) and Δ/E/C/Π. Constantine V standing facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding a cross; between K/W/N/S (S retrograde) and (Δ/E/C/Π). cf. DOC. 55, Spahr 322, SB. 1531, Berk 852. EF, dark green patina. (450)



292. Follis. (4.38 gms.). 731-741. Similar to previous but figures holding akakia instead of cross. DOC. 55, Spahr 322, SB. 1531, Berk 852. VF, green patina. (40)



293. Follis. (1.80 gms.). 720. Anepigraphic. Facing busts of Leo III (on left) and Constantine V, wearing crown and chlamys, each holding globus cruciger and Leo holds akakia in left hand. Large M; above, monogram of Leo; below exergual line, SCL; in left field, K/W/N. Unpublished variety with K/W/N. cf. DOC. 53, Spahr 317, SB. 1529A (Unique). VF, dark green patina. (1250)

This would appear to be a new type for this extremely rare issue on the occasion of the elevation of Constantine V as joint emperor.



ROME

294. Three-quarter follis. (1.32 gms.). 717-720. Anepigraphic. Facing bust wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large XXX; below exergual line, ROM (R is retrograde). DOC. 93, MIB. 31b1, SB. 1534D, Berk 853. EF, green and brown patina, clipped rectangular flan as usual. (500)



295. Three-quarter follis. (0.84 gms.). 717-720. Similar to previous but of another style. MIB. 31b2, Berk 853. EF, light brown patina, clipped rectangular flan. (450)

CONSTANTINE V, Copronymus

741-775



CONSTANTINOPLE

296. Follis. (2.68 gms.). (dN C)ONSTANTIN Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger (off flan) and akakia. Large M between (X/X/X) and N/N/N; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 6a, SB. 1555, Berk 854. EF, brown patina, better flan than normal. (450)



297. Follis. (5.14 gms.). c. 769-775. Anepigraphic. Constantine V (on left), bearded, and Leo IV, beardless, seated facing on lyre-backed double throne, both wearing crown and chlamys and holding akakia; between their heads, cross. Facing bust of Leo III, bearded, wearing crown and loros, holding cross potent on base; to right, cross; all above a horizontal line; beneath, large M between X and N; below M, A. DOC. 13, SB. 1557, Berk 856. VF, dark green-brown patina with lighter brown highlights. (50)



298. Half-follis. (2.30 gms.). (dN C)ONSTANTI Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger and akakia. Large K between X/X/X and N/N/N; in field between K and N/N/N, cross; below K, A. DOC. 7b, SB. 1558, Berk 857. Good VF, brown in color, slight porosity. (125)



SYRACUSE

299. Follis. (2.98 gms.). 751-775. Legends not visible. Facing busts of Constantine V (on left) and Leo IV, wearing crown and chlamys, holding akakia; between their heads, cross. Half-length figure of Leo III facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding cross potent. DOC. 19c, Spahr 335, SB. 1569, Berk 864. Good EF, beautiful green patina. (150)



300. Half-follis. (2.96 gms.). 751-775. Anepigraphic. Facing busts of Constantine V (on left) and Leo IV, both wearing crown and chlamys; beneath exergual line, CIKA (partially off the flan). Facing bust of Leo III, wearing crown and loros, holding cross potent and globus cruciger (off the flan); beneath exergual line, A. DOC. 20, Spahr-, SB. 1569A, Berk-. EF, olive-green patina, very rare. (400)



301. Half-follis. (2.16 gms.). Similar to previous but in obverse field, cross. Unpublished variety. cf. DOC. 20, SB. 1569A. Good VF, dark green patina. (300)



ROME

302. Æ Solidus. (4.58 gms.). 751-775. CONTAN Crowned bust facing, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Legend illegible, crowned bust facing of Leo IV, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. cf. DOC. 32ff, SB. 1570. Fine, brown patina, rare. (250)



RAVENNA

303. Follis. (2.43 gms.). 741-751. Fragmentary legend, crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. Large M between N/N/N and X/X/X; above, cross; in exergue, RAV. SB. 1580 (unique - this coin as illustrated - otherwise unpublished). VF, brown patina. (1000)



UNCERTAIN ITALIAN MINT

304. Æ 16mm (uncertain denomination). (0.68 gms.). Anepigraphic. Facing bust wearing crown and chlamys, holding cross potent. Cross potent on three steps between two stars. DOC. 52, SB. 1582E. VF, dark brown patina, very rare. (400)

LEO IV the Khazar
775-780

CONSTANTINOPLE

305. Half-follis. (3.64 gms.). 776-778. Anepigraphic. Facing busts of Leo IV (on left) and Constantine VI, both wearing crown and chlamys; in field above, cross. Facing busts of Leo III (on left) and Constantine V, both with short beards and wearing crown and loros; between their heads, cross; all above horizontal line below which large M between X and N; beneath M, A. DOC. 5, SB. 1588, Berk 868. Fine, dark green patina. (50)
This type is differentiated from the follis by the lack of B-A in the reverse field.

**SYRACUSE**

306. Follis. (3.55 gms.). 778-780. Anepigraphic. Leo IV (on left) and Constantine VI seated facing on double throne, each wearing crown and chlamys; above, cross. Facing busts of Leo III (on left) and Constantine V, each wearing crown and loros; above, cross; in exergue, CIK. DOC. 8, Spahr 338, SB. 1590, Berk 870. Good VF, olive-green patina, scarce. (250)

CONSTANTINE VI and IRENE

780-797

**CONSTANTINOPLE**

307. Follis. (2.72 gms.). 790-792. Anepigraphic. Crowned facing busts of Constantine VI (on left) and Irene, Constantine wears chlamys and holds globus cruciger (off flan) while his mother wears loros and holds cruciform sceptre; above in field, cross. Facing busts of Leo III, Constantine V and Leo IV, all wearing crown and chlamys; all above a horizontal bar, beneath which is a large M between X and N; below M, A. DOC. 6, BN. 1-2, SB. 1596, Berk 871. VF, dark green patina, corrosion, rare. (300)



308. Follis. (2.76 gms.). 792-797. Anepigraphic. Facing bust of Irene, wearing crown and loros, holding cruciform sceptre and globus cruciger. Facing bust of Constantine VI, beardless, wearing crown and chlamys and holding globus cruciger; in right field, cross and pellet; all above a horizontal bar, below which large M between X and M; beneath M, A. DOC. 7, BN. 3-6, SB. 1598, Berk 873. VF/F, brown patina, reverse corroded, rare. (300)

IRENE

797-802

**CONSTANTINOPLE**

309. Follis. (5.03 gms.). EIR(I)NH bAS' Facing bust of Irene, wearing crown and loros, holding globus cruciger and cruciform sceptre. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 2, BN. 1-3, SB. 1600, Berk 874. EF, dark brown patina, rare this nice. (1500)
This type is much more rare than the issues with her son.

NICEPHORUS I

802-811

**CONSTANTINOPLE**

310. Follis. (4.71 gms.). 802-803. NICIFOR' bAS' Crowned bust facing, bearded, wearing chlamys and holding cross potent and akakia. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 4.5, BN. 1, SB. 1606, Berk 875. VF, attractive chocolate brown patina. (75)

**SYRACUSE**

311. Follis. (2.91 gms.). NIKH Facing bust of Nicephorus, wearing crown and loros and holding cross potent (not visible). (NI)KH same bust as obverse but wearing chlamys and holding globus cruciger. DOC. 9, Spahr 342, SB. 1611, Berk 877. Near EF for issue, green patina with brown highlights, scarce. (200)



312. Follis. (3.96 gms.). Obverse similar to previous. CTAV Facing bust of Stauracius, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. DOC. 10, Spahr 351, SB. 1612, Berk 878. EF, pale green patina. (200)

MICHAEL I Rhangabe

811-813



CONSTANTINOPLE

313. Follis. (5.39 gms.). MIXAHL S ΘEOF' Crowned facing busts of Michael I, with short beard and wearing chlamys (on left) and Theophylactus, beardless, wearing loros. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; below, A. DOC. 8 (Michael II and Theophilus), BN. 1, SB. 1618, Berk 881. VF+, dark green patina, light scratches. (75)



SYRACUSE

314. Follis. (2.82 gms.). 811. (MI)XA Facing bust of Michael I, wearing crown and loros, holding cross potent. MIXA Same bust as obverse but wearing chlamys, holding globus cruciger. DOC. 9, Spahr 358, SB. 1624, Berk 882. EF, dark green patina, scarce. (250)

LEO V the Armenian

813-820



SYRACUSE

315. Follis. (1.66 gms.). (ΛEON) Facing bust of Leo V, wearing crown and loros, holding cross potent. KON(C) Facing bust of Constantine VII, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. DOC. 16, Spahr 372, SB. 1638, Berk 889. EF, green patina. (100)



316. Follis. (4.29 gms.). Similar to previous but in right obverse field, star; and on reverse, either side of bust, C and I. DOC. 17, Spahr 373, SB. 1636, Berk 887. EF, olive-green patina. (100)



317. Follis. (3.82 gms.). Legend not visible. Facing busts of Leo (on left) and Constantine, each wearing crown and chlamys; above, cross. Large Λ K. DOC. 19, Spahr 375, SB. 1635, Berk 886. EF, dark green-brown patina. (100)

MICHAEL II the Amorian

820-829



CONSTANTINOPLE

318. Follis. (7.12 gms.). 821-829. MIXAHL S ΘEOFILOS Crowned facing busts of Michael II (on left), short beard and wearing chlamys, and Theophilus, beardless and wearing loros; between their heads, cross. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; below, Θ. DOC. 9 (circlet beneath crosses on crowns), SB. 1642, Berk 890. EF, dark brown patina, lightly porous, corrosion spots on reverse. (200)



SYRACUSE

319. Follis. (5.15 gms.). (MIXA)HL S ΘEOF Facing busts of Michael II (on left), wearing crown and chlamys, and of Theophilus wearing crown and loros. Large M; above, cross; below, Θ. DOC. 21, Spahr 399, SB. 1652, Berk 891. Good EF, lovely green patina. (200)

THEOPHILUS

829-842



CONSTANTINOPLE

320. Follis. (5.94 gms.). 829-831. ΘEOFIL' BASIL' Bearded bust facing, wearing crown and chlamys, holding patriarchal cross and akakia; in left field, star. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; beneath, Θ. DOC. 13, BN. 1-3, SB. 1666, Berk 893. Near EF, dark green patina with lighter verdigris. (100)

This is one of the last folles from Constantinople to bear the traditional mark of value for a follis-M.



321. Follis. (7.21 gms.). 831-842. ΘEOFIL' BASIL' Half-length figure facing, bearded, wearing loros and tufa (crown) decorated with pellets, holding labarum with cross in right hand and globus cruciger in left. +ΘEO / FILE AVς / OVSTE SV / NICAS. DOC. 15d, SB. 1667, Berk 894. EF, choice green patina, lighter highlights on obverse. (200)



322. Follis. (4.30 gms.). 831-842. Same as previous type but pellets on labarum instead of a cross. DOC. 15b (squat figure), SB. 1667, Berk 894. EF, dark brown patina. (200)



SYRACUSE

323. Follis. (3.93 gms.). ΘEOFILOS BAS Facing bust wearing crown and loros, holding cross potent. +MIXAHL S CONST Facing busts of Michael II (on left) and Constantine, each wearing crown and chlamys; above between them, star. DOC. 29, Spahr 413, SB. 1680, Berk 896. EF, dark green-brown patina. (150)



324. Follis. (1.73 gms.). Similar to previous but of smaller module. DOC. 29, Spahr 413, SB. 1680, Berk 896. EF, choice green patina. (150)



325. Follis. (4.71 gms.). ΘEOFILO(S bAS) Facing bust of Theophilus, wearing crown and chlamys, holding globus cruciger. Large M between X/X/X and N/N/N; above, cross; below, Θ. DOC. 30, Spahr 431, SB. 1681, Berk 897. Good VF, chocolate brown patina. (100)



326. Follis. (1.51 gms.). Similar to previous but of smaller module. DOC. 30, Spahr 431, SB. 1681, Berk 897. EF, dark green patina, slightly porous. (50)

MICHAEL III "the Drunkard"

842-867



CONSTANTINOPLE

327. Follis. (7.11 gms.). 866-867. +MIhAEL IMPERAT' Facing bust of Michael III, with short beard, wearing crown and loros, holding patriarchal cross on globe and akakia. +bASILIYS REX * Facing bust of Basil I, with short beard, wearing crown and loros, holding patriarchal cross on globe and akakia. DOC. 8, SB. 1693, Berk 900. Near EF, dark brown patina with some green verdigris. (500)
Michael III depicted on the same coin with his protégé and assassin, Basil. Scarce and popular type!



SYRACUSE

328. Follis. (2.91 gms.). (MI)X(AHL b) Crowned facing bust, wearing loros, holding cross potent. Large M; above, cross; below, Θ. DOC. 12, Spahr 438, SB. 1697, Berk 901. VF, dark green-brown patina. (150)

BASIL I the Macedonian

867-886



CONSTANTINOPLE

- 328A. Follis. (4.87 gms.). (+ bAS)ILIO S CONST'... Basil (on left) and Constantine enthroned facing, both wearing crown and loros, holding labarum between them. (+bA(SILO') / (S) CONS(T)AN / TINOS EN ΘO / (bA)SILEIS R / (O)MAION. DOC. 9b, SB. 1710, Berk 906. VF with a beautiful turquoise green patina. (150)

We have been told that this type of patina comes from have being buried with human bones!



329. Follis. (7.24 gms.). 870-879. +LEON bASIL S CONST AYGG' Facing half-length figures of Basil (in center), Leo (on left) and Constantine, Basil wears crown and loros and holds akakia, both his sons wear crown and chlamys. + bASIL / CONSTAN / T S LEON EN / ΘO bASILS / ROMEON; cross beneath. DOC. 11, SB. 1712, Berk 908. Near EF, heavy olive-green patina. (100)



UNCERTAIN PROVINCIAL MINT

330. Half-follis. (2.17 gms.). bASILIO ' A(Yς') Crowned bust facing, wearing loros and holding cross potent and akakia (off flan). (+LEON CE) ALESA Facing beardless busts of Leo (on left) and Alexander, both wearing crown and chlamys; between them, cross; above, star. DOC. 13a, SB. 1722, Berk 916. Near EF, dark green patina, porous. (75)

LEO VI "the Wise"
886-912



CONSTANTINOPLE

331. Follis. (7.77 gms.). +LEON bASILEVS ROM' Crowned bust facing, with short beard, wearing chlamys, holding akakia. +LEON / EN ΘEO BA / SILEVS R / OMEON. DOC. 8, SB. 1729, Berk 918. About EF, dark green patina, slightly porous. (65)



332. Follis. (7.85 gms.). +LEON S ALEZANGROS Leo (on left) and Alexander seated facing on double throne, both wearing crown and loros; holding between them, labarum. +LEON / S ALEZAN / GROS bASIL' / ROMEON. DOC. 6, SB. 1730, Berk 919. VF+, attractive green-brown patina. (100)
The only portrait of Alexander, the decadent brother of Leo VI, in bronze.



CHERSON

333. Follis. (2.64 gms.). Cast Coinage. Anepigraphic. Facing bust of Leo, wearing crown and chlamys, holding akakia. Patriarchal cross on globe between Λ and E. DOC. 10, SB. 1732, Berk 921. EF, dark green-brown patina. (1000)
This is the Berk plate coin.

CONSTANTINE VII Porphyrogenitus, 913-959
and
ROMANUS I Lecapenus, 920-944



CONSTANTINOPLE

334. Follis. (6.04 gms.). 914-919. +CONSTANT ' CE ZOH b' Facing busts of Constantine VII, beardless (on left), and Zoe, both crowned and holding between them long patriarchal cross; Constantine wears loros while his mother wears chlamys. +CONS / TANTINO' / CE ZOH BA / SILIS RO / MEON. DOC. 22, SB. 1758, Berk 927. EF, heavy dark olive-green patina, few light scratches. (75)

NICEPHORUS BASILACIUS

Usurper in Thessalonica
1078



THESSALONICA

335. Follis. (4.81 gms.). Bust of Christ facing, wearing nimbus cruciger, pallium and colobium, right hand raised in blessing, left holds scroll; to left, IC; to right, X(C). Jewelled patriarchal cross on two steps, each arm ends in 3 pellets, X at lower intersection; in left field, C/N; to right; B/B. DOC. 2b (Nicephorus Bryennius), BN. 1-2, SB. 1890, Berk 963 (possibly only 3 recorded). Near EF, brown patina, traces of overstriking, extremely rare. (2000)
This is the Berk plate coin.

THE EMPIRE OF NICAEA

THEODORE I, Comnenus-Lascaris
1208-1222



MINT OF NICAEA

336. Billon trachy. (4.02 gms.). The Virgin enthroned facing, holding nimbate head of Christ on her breast. Theodore and St. Theodore standing facing, holding patriarchal cross between them. SB. 2061, Hendy pl. 30/7-10, Gr. 1146. EF, dark green-brown patina. (80)



337. Billon Trachy. (3.36 gms.). Christ enthroned facing. Theodore standing facing, holding sceptre and akakia. SB. 2062, Hendy pl. 31/1-5, Gr. 1147. VF+, medium brown patina. (60)



MINT OF MAGNESIA

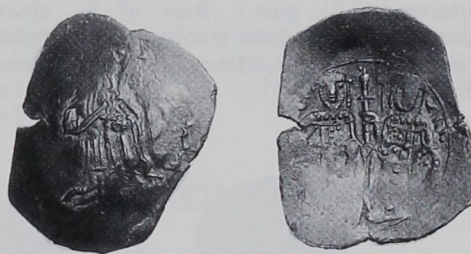
338. Billon Trachy. (3.58 gms.). Bust of youthful Christ facing. Theodore and St. Theodore standing facing, holding patriarchal cross on steps between them. SB. 2068, Hendy pl. 31/8-9, Gr. 1149. VF, attractive dark brown patina. (100)

JOHN III, Ducas-Vatatzes
1222-1254



MINT OF MAGNESIA

339. Billon trachy. (4.75 gms.). Three-quarter length figure of Archangel Michael facing. John standing facing (on left) and crowned by Christ. SB. 2089, Hendy pl. 33/1. VF, dark green-brown patina, rare. (100)



340. Billon trachy. (3.37 gms.). Christ standing facing on dais. John (on left) and St. Constantine standing facing, each holding a shield and jointly a sword between them. SB. 2101, Hendy -; H.W. Bell, *Sardis* [1916], pg. 108, 988. Good Fine, dark green patina, very rare. (100)



341. Billon trachy. (4.17 gms.). St. George standing facing. John seated facing upon high-backed throne, holding sword across knees. SB. 2108, Hendy pl. 35/12-13. Near VF, dark green patina, some light porosity. (60)



342. Tetarteron. (1.63 gms.). Head of Cherub facing. John standing facing, holding labarum and globus. SB. 2115, Hendy pl. 34/3, Gr. 1176. VF, attractive dark green patina, scarce. (100)



343. Tetarteron. (2.71 gms.). Bust of St. George facing. Fragmentary legend; John standing facing, holding labarum and akakia. SB. 2116, Hendy pl. 34/4-5. Good VF, dark green patina. (75)



344. Tetarteron. (2.29 gms.). Patriarchal cross on steps. Half-length figure of John facing, holding labarum-headed sceptre and globus. SB. 2120, Hendy pl. 36/8. Near VF, reddish-brown patina, some encrustation and porosity, rare. (100)



MINT OF THESSALONICA

345. Billon trachy. (3.31 gms.). Bust of St. Demetrius facing. John standing facing, holding akakia and labarum. SB. 2127, Hendy pl. 42/7-8. F+, brown patina, rare. (85)



346. Billon trachy. (2.89 gms.). The Virgin enthroned facing. John (on left) and St. Demetrius standing facing, holding patriarchal cross between them. SB. 2128, Hendy pl. 42/9-10. Near VF, dark green patina. (85)

THEODORE II, Ducas-Lascaris 1254-1258



MINT OF MAGNESIA

347. Billon trachy. (2.77 gms.). St. Tryphon standing facing. Theodore standing facing, holding labarum-headed sceptre and globus with patriarchal cross atop. SB. 2142, Hendy pl. 35/7, Gr. 1188. Fine, brown patina with touches of green, scarce. (60)



348. Billon trachy. (1.94 gms.). Fragmentary legend. Bust of youthful Christ facing. Theodore (on left) and St. Theodore standing facing, holding lis on staff between them. SB. 2144, Gr. 1190. Near VF, dark brown patina, rare. (85)

THE EMPIRE OF THESSALONICA

THEODORE, Comnenus-Ducas
1224-1230



MINT OF THESSALONICA

349. Billon trachy. (3.53 gms.). Bust of youthful Christ facing. Theodore (on left) and St. Demetrius standing facing; holding between them, a cross in circle on a staff. SB. 2161, Hendy pl. 37/7-9, Gr. 1196. F/VF, green-brown patina. (120)



350. Billon trachy. (3.61 gms.). Christ enthroned facing. Theodore (on left) and St. Demetrius standing facing; holding between them, cross in circle on a staff. SB. 2164, Hendy pl. 38/1-2. Fine, brown in color and holed and plugged, traces of gilding. (40)

MANUEL, Comnenus-Ducas
1230-1237



MINT OF THESSALONICA

351. Billon trachy. (2.44 gms.). The Virgin enthroned facing. Manuel (on left) and Archangel Michael standing facing, holding labarum between them. SB. 2178, Hendy pl. 39/4-5. Near VF, dark brown patina. (75)

JOHN, Comnenus-Ducas
1237-1244



MINT OF THESSALONICA

352. Reduced module billon trachy. (0.51 gms.). Bust of Christ facing. Half-length figure of John facing, holding labarum-headed sceptre and akakia. SB. 2197, Hendy -; Simon Bendall, "Thessalonican Coinage of the Mid-Thirteenth Century in the Light of a New Hoard" [The Numismatic Chronicle-1978] pg. 111, #456 (this coin). VF, green-brown patina, slightly clipped, rare. (100)



353. Reduced module billon trachy. (0.80 gms.). Bust of the Virgin, orans. Winged figure of John standing, holding sceptre and globus. SB. 2219, Hendy pl. 41/7. F+, dark green-brown patina, rare. (100)

THE RESTORED BYZANTINE EMPIRE

MICHAEL VIII, Palaeologus
1258-1282



CONSTANTINOPLE

354. Billon trachy. (2.38 gms.). The Virgin enthroned facing. Michael VIII (on left) and the Archangel Michael standing facing. SB. 2263, Gr. 1342. F+, brown patina. (65)



355. Billon trachy. (1.98 gms.). St. Demetrius standing facing. Michael VIII (on left) standing facing, crowned by the Virgin on his right. SB. 2265, Gr. 1344. Near VF, brown patina. (70)



356. Billon trachy. (2.66 gms.). Bust of Christ facing. Michael enthroned facing, holding labarum-headed sceptre and model castle. SB. 2273, Gr. 1350. F+, dark green patina, porosity, rare. (65)



THESSALONICA

357. Billon trachy. (1.81 gms.). Large fleur-de-lis. Michael standing facing, holding long cross and akakia; in left field, small fleur-de-lis. SB. 2309, Gr. 1383. VF, dark green-brown patina, very rare. (300)

ANDRONICUS II, Palaeologus 1282-1295



CONSTANTINOPLE

358. Trachy. (1.91 gms.). Bust of St. Theodore facing. Andronicus (on left) and Archangel Michael standing facing, holding patriarchal cross between them. SB. 2339, Gr. 1402. Near VF, reddish-brown patina, light porosity. (100)



359. Trachy. (2.61 gms.). Christ enthroned facing. Andronicus standing facing, holding labarum and globus cruciger; above, *Manus Dei*. SB. 2343, Gr. 1405, LPC. p.48/18. F/VF, brown patina, light corrosion. (85)



360. Trachy. (1.63 gms.). Seraph. Andronicus standing facing, holding sceptre and akakia. SB. 2352, Gr. 1412, LPC. p.54/27. Near VF, reddish-brown patina, lightly porous. (65)



361. Tetrarteron. (2.69 gms.). The Virgin standing facing, *orans*. Andronicus standing facing, holding labarum-headed sceptre and globus cruciger. SB. 2358, Gr. 1476, LPC. p. 60/36. VF, dark brown patina. (70)

ANDRONICUS II and MICHAEL IX

1295-1320



CONSTANTINOPLE

362. Trachy. (1.84 gms.). Bust of the Virgin, *orans*. Andronicus (on left) and Michael standing facing, holding long cross between them. SB. 2414, Gr. 1417, LPC. p. 72/14. Near VF, brown patina, light corrosion. (65)



363. Tetarteron. (2.20 gms.). ΑΝΔΡΟΝΙΚΟC ΔΕCΠ(ΟΤΙC) around cross. ΑΝ(ΔΡΟΝΙ)ΚΟC ΜΙΧΑΗΛ Andronicus (on left) and Michael standing facing, holding labarum between them. SB. 2430, Gr. 1479, LPC. p. 84/29. VF, dark green-brown patina. (60)



364. Tetarteron. (1.87 gms.). Large NA. Reverse similar to previous but holding long cross. SB. 2432, Gr. 1481, LPC. p. 86/31. Fine, dark green-brown patina, holed, rare. (60)

The obverse letters, NA, refer to the first indiction - either 1303 or 1318.



365. Tetarteron. (1.95 gms.). ΑΝΔΡΟΝΙΚ(ΟC) ΔΕCΠΟΤΗC Andronicus standing facing, holding sceptre and akakia. Blundered legend. Michael standing facing, holding sceptre and akakia. SB. 2434, Gr. 1483, LPC. p. 86/33. Near VF, brown patina. (60)



366. Tetarteron. (1.91 gms.). Similar to previous. SB. 2434, Gr. 1483, LPC. p. 86/33; Bertele, Dossler, pg. 75, 30 (this coin). VF, reddish-brown in color. (100)

ANDRONICUS III, Palaeologus

1328-1341



CONSTANTINOPLE

367. Trachy. (1.48 gms.). Cross fleury. Fragmentary legend, Andronicus standing facing, holding sceptre. SB. 2481, Gr. 1499, LPC. p. 126/13. Near VF, dark green patina, holed, rare. (75)

MANUEL II, Palaeologus

1391-1423



CONSTANTINOPLE

368. Follaro. (0.72 gms.). Christ standing in mandorla, C and Π in left and right fields with four pellets above. Illegible legend, Manuel standing facing, holding sceptre. SB. 2560, LPC. p. 166/12. Near VF, reddish-brown patina. (50)

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